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1 [There is no reportable action as a result of the
2 Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE SEPTEMBER 5, 2006 MEETING OF THE
7 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BEGIN. WE'LL
8 FIRST ARE LED IN PRAYER BY RABBI CHAIM KOLODNY WHO IS THE
9 ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT
10 AND OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE BY THEODORE, TED, BURTON,
11 WHO IS THE FIFTH DISTRICT COMMANDER FOR THE VETERANS OF
12 FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. IF THE AUDIENCE
13 WOULD PLEASE RISE AND RABBI?

14

15 **RABBI CHAIM KOLODNY:** PLEASE JOIN TOGETHER AS WE BOW IN PRAYER.
16 DEAR ALMIGHTY, WE THANK YOU FOR THE MANY JOYS AND SUCCESSES
17 YOU ALLOW US TO ENJOY EACH DAY. WE ASK YOUR BLESSINGS ON OUR
18 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS AND THEIR STAFF AND ALL COUNTY EMPLOYEES
19 AS THEY GO ABOUT THEIR IMPORTANT TASKS TO ENSURE A BRIGHTER
20 FUTURE FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND, AS THE TRADITIONAL SCHOOL
21 YEAR BEGINS TODAY, WE ASK FOR YOUR BLESSINGS ON EVERY SINGLE
22 CHILD IN OUR COUNTY, THAT THEIR BEST FOOT FORWARD EFFORTS BE
23 MET WITH GLORIOUS SUCCESS. WE PRAY THAT YOU WOULD CAST YOUR
24 PROTECTIVE WINGS ON EVERY SINGLE CHILD IN YOUR COUNTY OF
25 ANGELS SO THAT NO CHILD IN THE COMING YEAR WILL BE CLAIMED BY



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1 GANG VIOLENCE OR ABUSE. WE ASK FOR YOUR BLESSINGS IN ALL OUR
2 PUBLIC SAFETY PROFESSIONALS, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFFS, LOS
3 ANGELES COUNTY POLICE, THAT YOU WOULD GUARD THEM AS THEY GO
4 UPON THEIR DAILY TASK OF PROTECTING AND SERVING. AND DEAR
5 ALMIGHTY, WE FINALLY THANK YOU AND WE ASK FOR YOUR BLESSING
6 FOR ALL OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE FIGHTERS THAT PUT THEIR
7 LIVES ON THE LINE EVERY SINGLE DAY FOR ALL OF US. FOR ALL THIS
8 WE PRAY, AMEN.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AMEN.

11

12 **THEODORE "TED" BURTON:** WILL YOU PLEASE FACE THE FLAG AND PLACE
13 YOUR HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF
14 ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. [PLEDGE OF
15 ALLEGIANCE]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE WERE LED IN THE
20 INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY RABBI CHAIM KOLODNY. RABBI KOLODNY
21 WAS ORDAINED IN 1990. HE'S THE ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN FOR THE LOS
22 ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT. HE IS ALSO THE CHAPLAIN OF THE
23 SERVICE BUREAU OF THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT. IN
24 ADDITION, RABBI KOLODNY SERVES AS A COMMISSIONER OF THE
25 COUNTY'S EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COMMISSION. ALSO, ONE OF



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1 THE FOUNDERS OF HATSALA. HE'S BEEN HERE BEFORE TO RECEIVE A
2 PROCLAMATION, THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY
3 AND THE FAIRFAX, HANCOCK PARK AREA AND BEYOND NOW, DONE AN
4 OUTSTANDING JOB AND IS A GREAT FRIEND OF THE COUNTY AND OF OUR
5 PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES. AND HE'S MARRIED AND HE HAS NINE
6 CHILDREN. HEH. [LIGHT LAUGHTER]

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE NOTHING MORE TO SAY. (LAUGHTER AND
9 APPLAUSE)

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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13 **SUP. BURKE:** WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO WELCOME BACK THEODORE "TED"
14 BURTON AND HE IS FROM THE P.F.C. ADRIAN L. MITCHELL POST
15 11087. HE'S A VETERAN OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES OF
16 AMERICA, HE'S POST COMMANDER. HE WAS IN THE MILITARY FROM 1955
17 TO '83 AS A WARRANT OFFICER, U.S. COAST GUARD. HE SERVED IN
18 VIETNAM. HE RECEIVED THE NAVY ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, COAST GUARD
19 ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL, COMBAT RIBBON, PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION,
20 COAST GUARD UNIT COMMENDATION, COAST GUARD GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL
21 WITH TWO STARS, NATIONAL EVENT SERVICE MEDAL, ANTARCTICA
22 SERVICE MEDAL, VIETNAM SERVICE MEDAL WITH FIVE STARS AND
23 REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION. HE'S A RETIRED
24 VETERAN AND HE'S A VETERAN BENEFIT COUNSELOR AT LOS ANGELES
25 COUNTY OF MILITARY AND VETERAN AFFAIRS. HE'S MARRIED WITH TWO



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1 CHILDREN. HE'S BEEN IN THE DISTRICT FOR 36 YEARS. HE WENT TO
2 COLLEGE AT PHOENIX COLLEGE, ARIZONA, AND CAL STATE DOMINGUEZ
3 HILLS. THANK YOU FOR BEING WITH US. [APPLAUSE]

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE
6 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE
7 MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED.
10 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 14.
13 ON ITEM 2, PLEASE NOTE THE REVISED LANGUAGE THAT WAS POSTED ON
14 THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET. AND ALSO SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
15 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 6...

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I JUST WANTED TO BE RECORDED AS AN
18 ABSTENTION, THAT'S ALL. I DON'T WANT IT HELD.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. ON-- THAT WAS ON ITEM 2. FOR THE
21 RECORD, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WOULD LIKE TO ABSTAIN. ON ITEM
22 6, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
23 ITEM 8, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND
24 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND, ON



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1 ITEM 9, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
2 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY BURKE, SECONDED, AS NOTED BY
5 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. SO ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 9, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS
8 15 THROUGH 20. ON ITEM 20, HOLD FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.
9 THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY MOLINA. SECONDED. WITHOUT
12 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AUDIT COMMITTEE, ITEM 21.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
17 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BEACHES AND HARBORS. ON ITEM 22, SUPERVISOR
20 KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS UNTIL
21 SEPTEMBER 19TH, 2006.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED.
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICE, ITEM 23.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED.

4 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORONER, ON ITEM 24, SUPERVISOR BURKE
7 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ITEM 25.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
10 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 26 THROUGH 29.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY MOLINA. SECONDED. WITHOUT
15 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** INTERNAL SERVICES, ITEM 30.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
20 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PARKS AND RECREATION, ITEM 31.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED.

25 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PROBATION, ITEMS 32 AND 33. ON ITEM 33,
3 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
4 ONE WEEK UNTIL SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2006.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED.
7 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC HEALTH, ITEMS 34 THROUGH 36. ON
10 ITEMS 35 AND 36, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET,
11 THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH REQUESTS THAT BOTH OF THESE
12 ITEMS BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2006. AND
13 THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WHO WOULD
14 LIKE TO SPEAK ON THESE ITEMS.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. DR. CLAVREUL? I DON'T SEE HER.
17 IS THAT ALL RIGHT TO CONTINUE? CONTINUE? OKAY. SO MOVED BY
18 MOLINA. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC LIBRARY, ITEMS 37 AND 38.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
23 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, ON ITEM 39, AS
2 INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET, THE DIRECTOR OF
3 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
4 TWO WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 19TH, 2006.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED.
7 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC WORKS, ITEMS 40 THROUGH 51. ON ITEM
10 42, THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
11 CONTINUED SIX WEEKS UNTIL OCTOBER 17TH, 2006, AND THERE ARE
12 ALSO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS
13 ITEM.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 42?

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 42.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I THINK YOU SHOULD HEAR FROM THE SPEAKERS
24 TODAY. THEY'RE HERE SPECIFICALLY OFF WORK, SO I WOULD HOLD 42
25 TO TAKE TESTIMONY AND THEN CONTINUE IT, IF THAT'S YOUR WISH.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SO WE'LL HOLD 42 BUT THE
3 SPEAKERS THAT ARE HERE WILL KNOW THAT WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE
4 THAT AFTER YOU-- IF YOU WANT TO SPEAK AND AFTER YOU SPEAK, TO
5 OCTOBER 17TH. OKAY.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 19, SHERIFF, ITEM 52.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT THE REMAINDER...

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OH, THE REMAINDER, I'M SORRY.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ...OF THE PUBLIC WORKS, BY MOLINA,
14 SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. SHERIFF, ITEM 52.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
19 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, ITEM 53.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED.
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS, ITEMS 54
2 THROUGH 58. ON ITEM 54 AND 56, COUNTY COUNSEL WOULD LIKE TO
3 CONTINUE THESE ITEMS ONE WEEK UNTIL SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2006. THE
4 REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
7 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEM 59 AND
10 I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS AN
11 ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 3, ADVISORY COMMISSIONS AND
12 COMMITTEES OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE, CHAPTER 3.58,
13 RELATING TO THE REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION TO EXTEND
14 THE SUNSET REVIEW DATE FOR THE COMMISSION TO DECEMBER 31ST,
15 2010.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY MOLINA. SECONDED. WITHOUT
18 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEMS 60 THROUGH 62. ON
21 ITEM 60, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET, THE
22 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
23 CONTINUED THREE WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 26TH, 2006. AND, ON ITEM 61
24 AND 62, WE WILL HOLD THESE ITEMS FOR A REPORT.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED.

2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
5 REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
6 OFFICER, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF
7 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
8 ITEM 63-A.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO MOVED. SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT
11 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 63-B.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO MOVED. SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
16 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 63-C.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO MOVED. SECONDED BY BURKE. WITHOUT
21 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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23 **63-D.**

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1 >>SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SO MOVED. SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.

2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: 63-E.

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6 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MOTION BY BURKE, SECONDED. WITHOUT
7 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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9 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: AND 63-F.

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11 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED,
12 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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14 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: 63-G

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16 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MOTION BY KNABE, SECONDED, WITHOUT
17 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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19 CLERK SACHI HAMAI: AND 63-H.

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21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: MOTION BY KNABE, SECONDED, WITHOUT
22 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
3 DISTRICT NUMBER FIVE.

4
5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THIS MORNING, WE'RE GOING TO WELCOME
6 OUR SHERIFF, SHERIFF LEE BACA, AS THE BOARD PROCLAIMS
7 SEPTEMBER 11TH AS PATRIOT DAY THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY OF LOS
8 ANGELES. IT'S BEEN NEARLY FIVE YEARS AGO SINCE SEPTEMBER 11TH,
9 WHEN FOREIGN TERRORISTS CONDUCTED A SERIES OF DESPICABLE
10 AERIAL ATTACKS AGAINST OUR NATION, KILLING MANY OF OUR FRIENDS
11 AND FAMILY. THESE SURPRISE ATTACKS ON NEW YORK CITY'S WORLD
12 TRADE CENTER, THE TWIN TOWERS, AND THE PENTAGON, CAUSED A
13 HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE AND A TREMENDOUS DESTRUCTION, PROMPTING OUR
14 NATION'S DECLARATION OF WAR ON GLOBAL TERRORISM. SEPTEMBER
15 11TH GIVES US THE OPPORTUNITY TO REUNITE ONCE AGAIN TO
16 RESPECTFULLY REMEMBER THOSE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES, HONOR THE
17 COURAGEOUS FIRE, POLICE, EMERGENCY PERSONNEL AND CIVILIANS,
18 AND SALUTE THE BRAVE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO HAVE
19 FOUGHT SO VALIANTLY DEFENDING OUR NATION AROUND THE WORLD,
20 DEFENDING LIBERTY AND FREEDOM WHEREVER IT'S BEEN THREATENED.
21 THE BOARD URGES THE CITIZENS OF OUR COUNTY AND ALL AMERICANS
22 TO PARTICIPATE IN CEREMONIES ON THE 11TH HONORING THOSE IN
23 UNIFORM WHO ARE PROTECTING OUR NATION'S FREEDOMS. ALL FLAGS
24 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY WILL BE FLOWN AT HALF-STAFF ON THIS DAY
25 IN HONOR OF THOSE AMERICANS WHO DIED AS A RESULT OF THAT



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1 TERRORIST ATTACK AND SHERIFF BACA AND I WERE IN WASHINGTON AT
2 THAT TIME, AS WAS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, AND THAT IS A TIME
3 THAT HAS LEFT A PERMANENT SCAR ON OUR HEARTS OVER HAVING
4 WITNESSED THE DEVASTATION THAT OCCURRED THERE AND SEEING THE
5 TRAGEDIES THAT OCCURRED WITH THOSE AIRPLANE CRASHES, LOSS OF
6 LIFE AND BEING UNDER MARTIAL LAW IN OUR NATION'S CAPITAL. BUT
7 SHERIFF BACA, LET ME GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION ON BEHALF OF
8 THE BOARD. [APPLAUSE]

9

10 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THANK YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, MEMBERS OF THE
11 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M VERY PLEASED THAT WE, AS A COUNTY,
12 STEPPED UP TO THE PLATE AND DID AS MUCH AS WE COULD TO HELP
13 THE FAMILIES IN NEW YORK, ALONG WITH THE INDIVIDUALS WITHIN
14 THE PUBLIC SAFETY SYSTEM, THE CITY OF NEW YORK, FIRE FIGHTERS
15 AND POLICE OFFICERS COMBINED. WE WILL HAVE, ON SEPTEMBER THE
16 11TH AT NOON, IN THE MALL, RIGHT ADJACENT TO YOUR OFFICES
17 HERE, A FIFTH ANNUAL COMMEMORATION OF WHAT OCCURRED ON
18 SEPTEMBER THE 11TH. OBVIOUSLY, WHEN THE LOSS OF LIFE IS AS
19 DRAMATIC AND AS SIGNIFICANT AS WHAT OCCURRED ON SEPTEMBER
20 11TH, ALL OF US HERE IN PUBLIC OFFICE RECOGNIZE THAT ALL OF US
21 AS A NATION, A COUNTRY THAT HAS BEEN PUT TO A VERY SEVERE TEST
22 CONCERNING TERRORISM SHALL NEVER FORGET THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO
23 GAVE THEIR LIVES INNOCENTLY WHILE ATTEMPTING TO LIVE OUT THE
24 DREAMS THAT THEY HAD WITHIN THEIR INDIVIDUAL LIVES. SO THANK



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1 YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR. SEPTEMBER 11TH. GOD BLESS AMERICA. [
2 APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO
5 WELCOME MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION AS
6 WE PROCLAIM SEPTEMBER 8TH THROUGH OCTOBER 1ST AS LOS ANGELES
7 COUNTY FAIR DAYS. WITH US IS JAMES HENWOOD, WHO IS THE
8 PRESIDENT AND C.E.O., SCOTT KELLY, DIRECTOR OF MARKETING AND
9 COMMUNICATIONS, REGGIE WEB AND RON VERA, BOTH MEMBERS OF THE
10 L.A. COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS. OUR COUNTY'S
11 FAIR HAS SUCCESSFULLY COMBINED THE RICH TRADITION OF A FAIR
12 WITH EDUCATION, FINE ARTS, HORTICULTURE, AGRICULTURE, HORSE
13 RACING, LIVESTOCK AND FREE EVENING CONCERTS TO CREATE AN
14 EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCE FOR OUR VISITORS. THE FAIR IS THE
15 LARGEST COUNTY FAIR IN NORTH AMERICA, BOASTING NEARLY 100,000
16 TOURING SCHOOL CHILDREN, AS WELL AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY
17 RESIDENTS AND EMPLOYEES AND NUMEROUS CITIZENS FROM ALL WALKS
18 OF LIFE FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD. THE FAIR KICKS OFF THIS
19 FRIDAY. ON THIS OPENING DAY, ADMISSION IS JUST \$1. FOR MORE
20 INFORMATION, YOU CAN GO TO THE WEBSITE AT WWW.LACOUNTYFAIR.COM
21 AND YOU'LL GET ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. SO, ONCE AGAIN,
22 CONGRATULATIONS, AND MAY YOU HAVE A SUCCESSFUL FAIR. [
23 APPLAUSE]

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1 **JIM HENWOOD:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE
2 BOARD OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AGAIN, WE ARE GOING TO BE
3 OPENING OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIR THIS FRIDAY. WE'RE VERY
4 EXCITED ABOUT IT. IT'S GOING TO BE, AS USUAL, OUR BEST ONE
5 EVER BUT THIS YEAR WILL BE VERY SPECIAL BECAUSE WE WILL BE
6 CONTINUING SOME VERY, VERY STRONG PROGRAMS THAT FUNDAMENTALLY
7 WE BEGAN WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SOME YEARS AGO AND
8 IT'S OUR FAIR KIDS DISCOVERY PROGRAM AND IT'S OUR PRIVILEGE TO
9 PROVIDE THE FAIR AT NO COST TO OVER 100,000 SCHOOL CHILDREN
10 AND WE'LL BE DOING THAT EVERY DAY THROUGHOUT THE FAIR. IT'S AN
11 EXCITING COMPONENT OF THE FAIR. AND TO TELL YOU A LITTLE BIT
12 MORE ABOUT WHAT WE ARE DOING, I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO RON
13 VERA, A MEMBER OF OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS, WHO WILL TALK ABOUT
14 A COUPLE OTHER THINGS.

15

16 **RON VERA:** THANK YOU, JIM, AND, ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF LOS
17 ANGELES COUNTY AND THE 1.3 MILLION PEOPLE THAT WILL BE COMING
18 HERE THIS YEAR, WE WANT TO THANK YOU. WE WANT TO POINT OUT
19 THAT, THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH, IS GOING TO BE THE HONORING
20 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE THEME THIS YEAR IS A GREAT TEAM AND IT
21 EMBODIES TWO THINGS. ONE IS THE OVER 30 DEPARTMENTS THAT WILL
22 BE THERE AT THE FAIR ON SUNDAY AND THE OTHER ONE WILL BE ALL
23 OF THE L.A. SPORTS TEAMS. WE CONSIDER OURSELVES THE SPORTS
24 CAPITAL OF THE WORLD AND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE REPRESENTATIVES
25 FROM EVERY MAJOR AND PROFESSIONAL SOCCER, BASEBALL, FOOTBALL



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1 TEAM THERE. WE WILL ALSO BE COMPETING WITH ALL THE DOGS IN
2 CALIFORNIA AS WELL THAT DAY, TOO. (DOG YELPING) [LAUGHTER]
3

4 **RON VERA:** AT NOON, THERE WILL BE A PARADE. IT WILL BE CALLED
5 THE PARADE OF NATIONS. MANY OF OUR SUPERVISORS WILL BE THERE
6 THAT DAY AND WE HOPE THAT ALL OF YOU CAN COME OUT AND SEE US
7 ON THAT PARTICULAR DAY, SO AGAIN, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]
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9 **JIM HENWOOD:** AND I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE AS WELL REGGIE WEB. HE
10 WAS A MEMBER OF OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ALSO HE AND RENEE
11 THIS YEAR WILL BE HONORED THIS YEAR FOR ALL OF THEIR WONDERFUL
12 EFFORTS WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIR ON OUR PREMIER EVENING,
13 WHICH IS GOING TO BE THIS THURSDAY. REGGIE?
14

15 **REGGIE WEB:** YOU KNOW WE REPRESENT THE MOST DIVERSE COMMUNITY
16 ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD RIGHT HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE
17 OFFERINGS OF THE CHAIR ARE AS DIVERSE AS THE COMMUNITY THAT WE
18 REPRESENT. AND, AS THE CHAIR OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE, I
19 ALSO WANT TO ASSURE YOU, SUPERVISORS, THAT THE GOVERNANCE OF
20 THE FAIR IS AS DIVERSE AS THE COMMUNITY THAT WE REPRESENT AS
21 WELL. SO, WITH THAT, WE EXPECT TO HAVE A VERY SUCCESSFUL FAIR
22 ECONOMICALLY AND, AS YOU KNOW, ALL OF THE PROCEEDS OF THE FAIR
23 GET PLOWED BACK INTO THE PROPERTY THERE AT THE FAIR TO MAKE IT
24 EVER-INCREASINGLY BETTER, SO THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]
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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HAND OUT THE BAG. THE BAG MAN. THANK
2 YOU. SUPERVISOR-- GLORIA, DO YOU HAVE ANYONE? YVONNE, DO YOU
3 HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS?

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5 **SUP. BURKE:** NO, I DON'T HAVE ANY.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO ASK PATRICIA MITCHELL
10 TO COME UP HERE. DIFFERENT ITERATION SINCE THE LAST TIME SHE
11 WAS HERE. COME ON UP HERE. IT'S MY PRIVILEGE THIS AFTERNOON TO
12 PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION ON BEHALF OF ALL FIVE MEMBERS OF THE
13 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2006, AS LOS
14 ANGELES LITERACY DAY. THE NATIONAL LITERACY ACT OF 1991
15 DEFINES LITERACY AS AN INDIVIDUAL'S ABILITY TO READ, WRITE AND
16 SPEAK IN ENGLISH AND COMPUTE AND SOLVE PROBLEMS AT A LEVEL OF
17 PROFICIENCY NECESSARY TO FUNCTION ON THE JOB AND, IN SOCIETY,
18 TO ACHIEVE ONE'S GOALS AND DEVELOP ONE'S KNOWLEDGE AND
19 POTENTIAL. THE LITERACY NETWORK OF GREATER LOS ANGELES REPORTS
20 THAT 53% OF THE ADULTS IN THE COUNTY OF L.A., SOME 3.8 MILLION
21 INDIVIDUALS, ARE FUNCTIONING AT THE LOWEST LEVELS OF LITERACY
22 WHILE FEWER THAN ONE IN FIVE COUNTY SCHOOL CHILDREN TESTED
23 PROFICIENT IN LANGUAGE ARTS SKILLS IN THE 2004/2005 SCHOOL
24 YEAR. THE NETWORK IS WORKING TOGETHER WITH ITS PARTNERS TO
25 INCREASE LITERACY LEVELS FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS BY



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1 STRENGTHENING PROGRAMMING AND IMPROVING ACCESS TO RESOURCES.
2 LITERACY IS CRITICAL TO THE HEALTH AND PROSPERITY OF ALL OF
3 OUR RESIDENTS AND ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES. IT IS IMPERATIVE TO
4 PROMOTE A GREATER PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE PROBLEM, TO GENERATE
5 SUPPORT FOR DEVELOPING AND WORKING TOWARDS IMPLEMENTING
6 SOLUTIONS. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY THAT SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2006, BE PROCLAIMED LOS
8 ANGELES LITERACY DAY. THE UNITED NATIONS HAS ALSO RECOGNIZED
9 INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. ALL RESIDENTS
10 ARE URGED TO SUPPORT AND ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN EFFORTS TO
11 INCREASE LITERACY RATES THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITIES. AND WE
12 WANT TO PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION, PATRICIA MITCHELL, THOSE OF
13 YOU REMEMBER, WAS OUR DIRECTOR OF THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL FOR THE
14 L.A. PHILHARMONIC AND THEN DEFECTED TO THE MIDWEST BUT THEN
15 SHE GOT HER SENSES BACK, I GUESS YOU'RE BACK, SO YOU ONLY GET
16 TO LEAVE ONCE, PATRICIA. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND WE WISH
17 YOU WELL IN YOUR EFFORTS TO IMPROVE LITERACY IN OUR
18 COMMUNITIES. PAUL COPLAN, REPRESENTING LITERACY NETWORK.

19

20 **PAUL COPLAN:** HI, I'M THE CHAIR OF THE LITERACY NETWORK OF
21 GREATER LOS ANGELES. I WANT TO THANK THE COUNTY FOR
22 RECOGNIZING US FOR THIS CRITICAL ISSUE. OUR ORGANIZATION
23 ACTUALLY WAS AN OUTGROWTH OF COUNTY WORK IN 1987, WHICH
24 RECOMMENDED THAT YOU NEEDED AN INDEPENDENT, NONPROFIT
25 ORGANIZATION TO COORDINATE THE SERVICES OF ALL LITERACY



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1 PROVIDERS IN LOS ANGELES. AND, AS YOU SAID, WE HAVE A LOT OF
2 WORK TO DO. 53% OF ADULT AGE PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES CANNOT FILL
3 OUT A JOB APPLICATION, CANNOT READ A BUS SCHEDULE. SO THANK
4 YOU FOR GIVING US THIS RECOGNITION AND WE HOPE TO DO A BETTER
5 JOB OF ACCOMPLISHING OUR GOALS. THANKS.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE ALSO HAVE A LITTLE TERRIER MIX. HIS
8 NAME IS MIKEY, WHO'S TWO YEARS OLD, LOOKING FOR A HOME, AND
9 THIS IS LITTLE MIKEY. YOU CAN CALL (562) 728-4644, AND THIS IS
10 LITTLE MIKEY. SAY HELLO, MIKEY. THERE'S DAVID JANSSEN OVER
11 THERE. WANT TO LIVE IN THE BIG TOWERS, HUH?

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** WAS THAT YOU MAKING ALL THAT NOISE?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HE WAS SINGING FOR US EARLIER. THIS
16 PAST LABOR DAY, WE HAD-- THE COUNTY PARTICIPATED WITH THE
17 CITIES OF SAN GABRIEL AND LOS ANGELES CITY IN THE NINE-MILE
18 MARCH FROM THE SAN GABRIEL MISSION, WHICH IS THE BEGINNINGS OF
19 LOS ANGELES COUNTY 235 YEARS AGO, WITH THE FOUNDING OF THAT
20 MISSION BY THE FRANCISCAN MISSIONARIES FROM SPAIN AND THE
21 NATIVE AMERICANS WHO RESIDED IN THE AREA AND THEN WALKED THE
22 NINE MILE TO DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES WHERE THE PUEBLO WAS
23 ESTABLISHED 225 YEARS AGO AND THEN LOS ANGELES CITY, THE FIRST
24 CITY WHICH WAS INCORPORATED IN 1850 AFTER CALIFORNIA BECAME A
25 STATE. BUT THE COUNCIL MEMBERS FROM SAN GABRIEL AND I WALKED



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1 AWAY THE NINE MILES, SORRY TO SAY THE MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES
2 CITY COULD ONLY WALK ONE MILE, THEN HE DROVE THE REST OF THE
3 WAY, BUT WE HAD ABOUT A THOUSAND PEOPLE MARCHING. IT WAS VERY
4 GOOD, THEY HAD VERY GOOD PROGRAMS AND DISNEY PARTICIPATED WITH
5 MICKEY MOUSE IN THIS YEAR'S CELEBRATION, SO IT WAS A VERY WELL
6 ATTENDED EVENT. AND, AS I SAID, THE COUNTY IS A CO-SPONSOR OF
7 THAT WITH THE CITIES OF SAN GABRIEL AND LOS ANGELES CITY. FOR
8 MY ADJOURNMENTS TODAY, I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
9 MEMORY OF DICK "HUGGY BOY" HUGG, WHO PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST
10 30TH AT THE AGE OF 78. HE WAS KNOWN TO HIS RADIO LISTENERS, AS
11 MANY OF YOU GREW UP WITH DICK "HUGGY BOY," WHO SPENT FIVE
12 DECADES WORKING, BEGINNING WITH DOLPHINS OF HOLLYWOOD AND
13 VERNON CENTRAL AND THEN MOVING ON TO KRLA. HE WAS, ALONG WITH
14 HUNTER HANCOCK, THE TWO-- AND BIG JIM RANDOLPH, THE BIG THREE
15 DISK JOCKEYS IN THIS AREA FOR MANY, MANY YEARS AND HE ALSO WAS
16 THE EMCEE AT MANY OF THE RHYTHM AND BLUES SHOWS THAT I HOST AT
17 BONELLI PARK EACH YEAR WHERE WE HAD SOME OF THE GREATS FROM BO
18 DIDDLY, LITTLE RICHARD, RAY CHARLES, CHUCK BERRY, THE
19 RIGHTEOUS BROTHERS. WE JUST HAD A WHOLE LIST OF-- JAMES BROWN--
20 - ENTERTAINING EACH YEAR AND WE DO THAT IN JUNE OF EACH YEAR
21 AND WE HAVE A GOOD TURNOUT AND WE HOPE MORE PEOPLE WILL BE
22 PARTICIPATING, BUT DICK WAS ONE OF OUR, ALONG WITH JOHNNY
23 OTIS, WAS OUR EMCEE FOR MANY OF THOSE EVENTS AND HE DIED, AS I
24 SAID, AT THE AGE OF 78 AND HIS FUNERAL IS THIS COMING FRIDAY.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN.

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3 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, I WOULD, TOO.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** JOHN LAWSON, JR., WHO PASSED AWAY AT
6 67. HE WAS BORN AND RAISED IN GLENDALE. HE WAS THE GRANDSON OF
7 CASEY STENGLE, THE GREAT NEW YORK YANKEE MANAGER FOR MANY OF
8 THOSE WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONS, AND PASSED AWAY AT THE YOUNG AGE
9 OF 67 ON AUGUST 30TH. FORMER CONGRESSMAN BOB MATTHIAS, A
10 OLYMPIC CHAMPION, FORMER CONGRESSMAN AND HE SERVES AS DIRECTOR
11 OF THE U.S. OLYMPIC COMMITTEE AND WAS PRESIDENT OF THE
12 NONPROFIT AMERICAN KIDS SPORTS ASSOCIATION. HE PASSED AWAY AT
13 THE AGE OF 75.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO BE ON THAT ONE AS WELL.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR BURKE AND KNABE
18 WANTED TO BE ON THAT. DR. ABDEL FATAH SHAWKY PASSED AWAY ON
19 SEPTEMBER 1ST. HE WAS A MEDICAL DOCTOR AND PRESIDENT OF THE
20 MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OF EGYPT. HIS DAUGHTER IS ON THE STAFF AT
21 THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES MEDICAL SCHOOL. HE
22 WAS ALSO HEAD OF THE PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION IN EGYPT. A
23 VERY WONDERFUL PERSON, VISITED HERE MANY TIMES AND HE LEAVES
24 BEHIND HIS WIFE, TWO DAUGHTERS AND ONE SON. SARAH ANANIAN,
25 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 101 IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. SHE WAS-



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1 - OWNED AND OPERATED AN ALFALFA RANCH ON THE WEST SIDE OF
2 LANCASTER. SHE WAS ACTIVE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FAIR DURING
3 HER RESIDENCE THERE AND, DURING HER YOUNGER DAYS, SHE WAS VERY
4 ACTIVE IN THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY THEATRE. GENE STAPLES, FORMER
5 PASTOR OF THE PALMDALE FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH. HE IS
6 SURVIVED BY HIS SON AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN AND TWO GREAT
7 GRANDCHILDREN AND A SISTER. SHERI DICKEY, LONG-TIME LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY LIBRARY EMPLOYEE. SHE RETIRED AFTER 27 YEARS OF
9 COUNTY SERVICE, WHERE SHE SERVED AS LIBRARY ASSISTANT IN THE
10 NEWHALL LIBRARY AND WELL AS THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY
11 BOOKMOBILE AND THE VALENCIA LIBRARY. SCOTT BROWNING PAIGE,
12 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 48, RECENT GRADUATE OF THE U.S.C.
13 SCHOOL OF LAW, WHO PRACTICED LAW IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY IN
14 LANCASTER AND WAS A TEACHER IN SEVERAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS. A MAN
15 THAT MY CHILDREN AND FAMILY LOOKED FORWARD TO SEEING ON
16 TELEVISION WEEKLY WAS STEVE "CROCODILE HUNTER" IRWIN WHO
17 TRAGICALLY WAS KILLED IN A FREAK ACCIDENT BY A STINGRAY. HE
18 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 44. HE LEAVES TWO CHILDREN AND HIS
19 WIFE BUT HE'S KNOWN AS A-- ACTIVE AT THE PRESERVING OF
20 WILDLIFE HABITATS AND IT'S-- YOU JUST NEVER KNOW WHEN YOU'RE
21 GOING TO-- WHEN YOU'RE GOING TO DIE. ANYWAY, SO SECONDED BY
22 BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND DO WE HAVE THE-- OH,
23 OKAY. REMIND ME. ITEM NUMBER 42. WE HAD SOME PEOPLE IN THE
24 AUDIENCE. THIS IS GOING TO BE CONTINUED TO OCTOBER 17TH, AS I
25 SAID, BUT THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK CAN SPEAK ON THE ITEM,



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1 WITH THAT UNDERSTANDING. WE HAVE JEANETTE HARRIS, RAY
2 HERNANDEZ AND DENISE THOMAS.

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4 **JANET HARRIS:** HELLO. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME-- TO THE BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JANET HARRIS AND I WORK AT MARTIN
6 LUTHER KING AND I JUST COME TO TALK ABOUT THE CONTRACTING OF
7 THE CUSTODIANS. OKAY. JUST LIKE ALL THE OTHER CUSTODIANS, I
8 LIKE TO TAKE TIME OFF FROM WORK TODAY JUST FOR YOU TO HEAR THE
9 DECISIONS-- EXCUSE ME FOR BEING SO-- BECAUSE OF THE
10 UNDERSTANDING OF THE HOSPITAL BUT I DECIDED TO COME BECAUSE
11 THE THINGS ARE SO BAD AND THE CUSTODIANS FEEL LIKE
12 EVERYTHING'S GOING BAD AND THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT THE
13 CONTRACTING AND IT'S VERY SERIOUS ISSUE HERE AND WE REALLY
14 NEED A LEADERSHIP ON THIS. WE KNOW WE HAVE BIG PROBLEMS AND
15 UNDERSTAFFED AT THE COUNTY AT KING/DREW AND THERE ARE MANY
16 VACANCIES AT THE COUNTY OF CUSTODIAN'S POSITIONS THAT WOULD
17 LIKE TO BE FILLED BUT WE NEED THEM TO BE FILLED BUT INSTEAD OF
18 THE VACANCIES OF US, THIS HAS BEEN UPSETTING TO ALL THE
19 KING/DREW HOSPITAL. OUR COUNTY CUSTODIANS DO NOT TAKE ANY
20 VACATION TO PREPARE FOR THE C.M.S. INSPECTION, WE WORKED
21 OVERTIME AND WE TOOK TIME AWAY FROM OUR FAMILIES BECAUSE WE
22 KNOW HOW IMPORTANT THE INSPECTION IS FOR THE PATIENTS OF THE
23 HOSPITAL SERVICE AND THAT WE NEED OUR WORK AND WE NEED-- I'M
24 SORRY. I'M A LITTLE NERVOUS.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** JUST RELAX. THAT'S OKAY.

2

3 **JANET HARRIS:** I'M JUST NERVOUS. OKAY. THE HOSPITAL NEED TO BE
4 CLEAN, GOOD HYGIENE AND IT WASN'T EASY FOR THE SHORT STAFF BUT
5 WE DID ALL WE COULD DO. ALL THE CUSTODIANS EVEN TAKE TIME AND
6 ALL THEY DID WAS REALLY CONTINUE DOING ALL THE JOBS, WE DID
7 ALL WHAT WE CAN DO JUST TO KEEP OUR HOSPITALS AND WE'D LIKE TO
8 KEEP OUR JOBS. I CAN'T READ THIS BUT I'M SAYING THIS FROM THE
9 BOTTOM OF MY HEART. WE LOVE OUR JOBS AND WE CARE FOR OUR JOBS
10 AND WE ARE HERE TO FIGHT AND KEEP OUR JOBS.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES.

13

14 **RAY HERNANDEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GET CLOSER TO THE MICROPHONE.

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18 **RAY HERNANDEZ:** OH, EXCUSE ME, I'M SORRY. A BIT MORE CLOSER.
19 GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS RAY HERNANDEZ AND I'M
20 A BUILDING CUSTODIAN AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. MED CENTER. I HAVE
21 WORKED AT THE MED CENTER FOR OVER 30 YEARS. I'M PROUD TO BE A
22 BUILDING CUSTODIAN AND CURRENTLY I AM ASSIGNED AS A FIRE
23 WATCH, WHICH MEANS I HAVE ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES AS A
24 CUSTODIAN ASSIGNED TO THE DUTIES THAT I DO. I GO ABOVE AND
25 BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY TO ENSURE THAT THE PUBLIC SAFETY,



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1 REGULAR FIRE DRILLS ARE REQUIRED BY J.C.A.H.O., WHICH IS THE
2 JOINT COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF HEALTHCARE ORGANIZATIONS.
3 I COORDINATE 13 DRILLS EVERY THREE MONTHS PER J.C.A.H.O.
4 REQUIREMENTS IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE MEDICAL CENTER. IN
5 ADDITION, I MAKE SURE THAT THE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS ARE CHECKED
6 REGULARLY SO THAT THEY ARE IN REGULAR PROPER ORDER. I TAKE MY
7 DUTIES VERY SERIOUSLY BECAUSE I KNOW THAT THE SAFETY OF
8 PATIENTS AND EMPLOYEES IN THE DEPARTMENT DEPEND ON THE JOB I
9 DO. WHEN THE NEW HOSPITAL IS BUILT, MY SERVICES ON FIRE WATCH
10 WILL NO LONGER BE NEEDED AND I WILL RESUME MY REGULAR
11 CUSTODIAN DUTIES. HOWEVER, I WOULD TAKE THE SKILLS THAT I HAVE
12 LEARNED AND APPLY THEM TO HEALTH AND SAFETY RESPONSIBILITIES
13 AS A COUNTY WORKER. PRIVATE CUSTODIANS DO NOT HAVE THE SAME
14 COMMITMENT OR SKILL LEVELS THAT WE AS COUNTY CUSTODIANS HAVE
15 GAINED WITH OUR LONGEVITY TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE IN CARRYING
16 OUT OUR DUTIES. SUPERVISORS, I AM HERE ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY
17 CUSTODIANS TO ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS BOARD MOTION. BRING
18 THE PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT AND ALL CUSTODIAN WORK BACK TO THE
19 COUNTY. ALLOW OUR COMMITMENTS OF THE COUNTY CUSTODIANS TO
20 PERFORM THIS WORK WITH THE DEDICATION THAT WE FEEL AT THE
21 COUNTY AND THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES DESERVE EVERY DAY. THANK
22 YOU.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [SCATTERED APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM.

2

3 **SUZAN POUR-SANAE:** GOOD-- IS IT-- GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS.
4 MY NAME IS SUZAN SUZAN POUR-SANAE AND I'M A MEMBER OF S.E.I.U.
5 LOCAL 660. BEFORE I PROCEED WITH MY BRIEF COMMENTS, I JUST
6 WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE CUSTODIANS THAT WE HAVE HERE IN THE
7 AUDIENCE TODAY WHO HAVE TAKEN TIME OUT FROM THEIR WORK
8 SCHEDULES, AS WELL AS OUR SPEAKERS, HAVE TAKEN TIME OFF OF
9 THEIR SHIFTS TO COME HERE TO ADDRESS YOU ABOUT THIS VERY
10 IMPORTANT ISSUE. I HAVE TO SAY THAT I KNOW THAT JANET WAS VERY
11 NERVOUS. YOU KNOW, WE TRIED TO WRITE DOWN COMMENTS SO THAT SHE
12 WAS ABLE TO REMEMBER SOME OF THE VERY ARTICULATE THINGS SHE
13 SAID TO US AND ONE OF THE THINGS IS THAT SHE WAS VERY RETICENT
14 ABOUT EVEN TAKING TIME OFF FROM WORK TO COME HERE TODAY
15 BECAUSE THEY'RE SO UNDERSTAFFED AT KING/DREW THAT SHE FELT
16 THAT IT WASN'T RIGHT FOR HER TO LEAVE HER COWORKERS BUT THEN
17 SHE REALIZED THIS IS ABSOLUTELY A TOP PRIORITY FOR CUSTODIANS
18 AND FOR ALL OF OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES IN THE UNION BECAUSE IT IS
19 SUCH A SERIOUS ISSUE. AND WE ARE ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT TODAY
20 ON AN AMENDMENT THAT HAS BEEN DRAFTED BY THE FIRST DISTRICT.
21 WE HAVE SPOKEN-- EITHER SPOKEN WITH ALL OF YOU DIRECTLY OR
22 WITH YOUR STAFF MEMBERS AND YOU'RE ALL AWARE OF, YOU KNOW, OF
23 WHAT WE ARE HERE TODAY TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT AND, UNLIKE BART
24 DEANER, I'M HERE TO SPEAK TO ALL OF YOU. (LAUGHTER) AND SO WE
25 WOULD REALLY, REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS



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1 AMENDMENT. IT IS-- YOU KNOW, IT'S REALLY A MINIMAL KIND OF
2 CHANGE IN TERMS OF WHAT WE'RE ASKING FOR OVERALL BUT IT WOULD
3 BE A VERY, VERY IMPORTANT STEP FOR ALL OF US AND SEND A VERY
4 STRONG MESSAGE TO OUR CUSTODIANS THAT THIS BOARD SUPPORTS
5 THEIR WORK AND THE HARD WORK THAT THEY DO, DAY IN AND DAY OUT,
6 FOR THE PATIENTS AND OTHER COUNTY EMPLOYEES. THIS POLICY WAS--
7 THIS PROPOSITION "A" POLICY OVERALL IS A POLICY THAT WAS
8 INHERITED BY A BOARD PREVIOUS TO ALL OF YOU AND IT'S JUST SORT
9 OF BEEN TAKEN FOR GRANTED BUT I THINK THAT THERE ARE ISSUES
10 HERE THAT WE CAN ALL REALLY COME TOGETHER AROUND, SPECIFICALLY
11 AROUND SECURITY ISSUES AND SUPERVISOR BURKE HAS RAISED THIS
12 ISSUE BEFORE AND WE THINK IT'S VERY SERIOUS AND WE'VE TALKED
13 TO ALL OF YOU AND YOUR STAFF ABOUT THIS. OUR CUSTODIANS GO
14 THROUGH SYSTEMATIC BACKGROUND CHECKS AND UNDERGO
15 FINGERPRINTING, WHICH PRIVATE CONTRACTORS DO NOT REQUIRE. AND,
16 YOU KNOW, THEY ARE-- THEY HAVE ACCESS TO AREAS IN FACILITIES
17 THAT NO ONE ELSE HAS ACCESS TO. WE THINK THIS IS A VERY
18 POSITIVE STEP WHEN WE SUPPORT THE KINDS OF SECURITY MEASURES
19 THAT GO ALONG WITH THE BACKGROUND CHECKS THAT ARE REQUIRED OF
20 CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES AND, BY THE SAME TOKEN, START FILLING
21 VACANCIES AND ALLOWING THOSE CONTRACT WORKERS TO APPLY FOR
22 JOBS THAT ARE VERY COVETED BY PRIVATE EMPLOYEES. SO THANK YOU,
23 SUPERVISORS, AND WE URGE YOU TO PLEASE SUPPORT SUPERVISOR
24 MOLINA'S AMENDMENT AND, OBVIOUSLY, WE WILL CONTINUE TO ADDRESS
25 THIS IN OTHER VENUES AS WELL. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [SCATTERED APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY BURKE, SECONDED, TO
5 CONTINUE TO THE OCTOBER 17TH MEETING.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** KNOCK, KNOCK, KNOCK.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OH, I'M SORRY.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS WE'RE WRITING UP AN
12 AMENDMENT TO HAVE THE DEPARTMENT LOOK AT THE POSSIBILITY OR
13 ANALYZE HOW THESE CUSTODIAL CONTRACTS ARE BEING UTILIZED. PROP
14 "A", AS I UNDERSTAND, WAS ORIGINALLY ESTABLISHED TO MEET THOSE
15 NEEDS OF HAVING SPECIALTY WORK DONE THAT DIDN'T REQUIRE HIRING
16 A FULL-TIME INDIVIDUAL ON STAFF, FOR "AS NEEDED" SERVICES.
17 WHAT IS HAPPENING NOW IS THAT THESE CONTRACTS, PARTICULARLY
18 WITH JANITORS, ARE-- WE ARE UTILIZING OR OVERUTILIZING THE
19 CONTRACTING OUT MODEL. NOW, MY CONCERN HERE IS ARE THESE SO
20 UNIQUE AND SO LIMITED IN TIME THAT WOULD NOT REQUIRE US TO
21 HAVE A FULL-TIME OR HOW THIS PERSON COULD CARRY OUT THIS WORK
22 SINCE IT MIGHT ONLY BE A COUPLE OF HOURS AT EACH OF THESE
23 INDIVIDUAL UNITS. SO WHAT WE NEED I.S.D. TO DO, I GUESS, AND,
24 DAVID, HELP ME HERE, IF NECESSARY, IS TO ANALYZE UTILIZATION
25 OF THESE PARTICULAR CONTRACTS AND THE POSSIBILITY OF WHAT IT



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1 WOULD TAKE TO BRING THEM IN-HOUSE AND HIRE FULL-TIME FOLKS TO
2 CARRY OUT THIS WORK. SO THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO DO. WE'RE
3 WRITING IT UP NOW AND I THINK THAT'S THE INFORMATION THAT WE
4 WANT BECAUSE IF IT IS JUST TWO HOURS OF CLEANING A FACILITY
5 AND IT'S EASIER TO CONTRACT OUT THAN TO HIRE AN EMPLOYEE
6 THAT'S GOING TO GO OUT TO TWO LOCATIONS THAT ARE TOO FAR
7 APART, THAT MIGHT MAKE SENSE. BUT IF WE'RE JUST DOING IT FOR--
8 IN ORDER NOT TO HIRE FULL-TIME CUSTODIANS, THEN THAT DOESN'T
9 MAKE SENSE. SO THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO FIND OUT, RIGHT? SO
10 WE'LL CONTINUE THIS ON A MONTH-TO-MONTH BASIS FOR SIX MONTHS
11 AND AWAIT THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THAT REPORT TO COME BACK. SO
12 THAT'S OUR AMENDMENT.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING WE'RE GOING TO
15 CONTINUE THAT AND WE CAN DISCUSS-- THE C.A.O. WILL BE
16 DISCUSSING THIS WITH OTHERS FROM OUR CONVERSATION THIS
17 MORNING, MR. JANSSEN, RIGHT?

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES. I THINK THE MOTION DIRECTS US TO LOOK AT
20 THE FEASIBILITY OF A COUPLE OF ALTERNATIVES AND WE'LL BE
21 HAVING THAT DISCUSSION WITH YOU IN A COUPLE OF DIFFERENT
22 VENUES. SO I SUPPORT THE MOTION.

23



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT YOU'RE ALSO GOING TO LOOK AT THE POSSIBILITY
2 OF WHAT IT WOULD TAKE IN ORDER TO MAKE IT-- TO BRING IT IN-
3 HOUSE?

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
8 THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUZAN POUR-SANAE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISORS.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ITEM NUMBER 61. DO WE HAVE THE CORONER
13 HERE? THE REPORT THAT YOU HAD DONE RELATIVE TO THE CONTINGENCY
14 PLAN WHEN DEALING WITH SPIKES IN CASELOAD, MR. JANSSEN, AND
15 THE NEED FOR A SECOND SHIFT AND THE STATUS OF THE OVERCROWDING
16 ISSUE.

17

18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** COULD YOU GIVE US AN OVERVIEW OF YOUR
21 REPORT?

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE-- THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. WE WORKED WITH THE
24 CORONER'S OFFICE AND I BELIEVE THEY'RE IN SUPPORT OF OUR
25 RECOMMENDATION, AT LEAST AT THIS TIME, DEPENDING ON HOW THE



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1 WORKLOAD GOES. THE COST OF AN ADDITIONAL SHIFT WOULD BE
2 SOMETHING AROUND \$5 MILLION AND WE THINK THAT, THROUGH OTHER
3 MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES, WE HOPEFULLY CAN AVOID THAT KIND OF
4 PERMANENT EXPENDITURE AND BRING THE-- BRING THE WORKLOAD DOWN.
5 IT HAS COME DOWN SOME, NOT AS MUCH AS I THINK IT NEEDS TO COME
6 DOWN, BUT THE CORONER'S OFFICE IS MAKING GOOD PROGRESS ON
7 GETTING CONTROL OF THIS. THE BOARD APPROVED THE RENOVATION OF
8 THE FACILITIES AND A NEW CRYPT, I THINK, TWO WEEKS AGO. THAT'S
9 THE LONG-TERM SOLUTION. BUT, FOR RIGHT NOW, WE THINK THEY'RE
10 MAKING GOOD PROGRESS AND ARE NOT RECOMMENDING THAT WE DO A
11 SECOND SHIFT.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IT SEEMS LIKE USING MODIFIED WORK
14 SCHEDULES AND OVERTIME WOULD NOT BE SOMETHING NEW AS A
15 CONTINGENCY PLAN WHEN THE DEPARTMENT HAS HAD YEARS OF SPIKES
16 AND TRENDS TO HELP THEM PREPARE. SO IF THE CONTINGENCY PLAN
17 THAT IS NOW BEING DEVELOPED, WHAT WAS THE PLAN BEFORE THIS NEW
18 CONTINGENCY PLAN?

19

20 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** SUPERVISOR, TONY HERNANDEZ, DEPARTMENT OF
21 CORONER. THE DIFFERENCE THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT WITH RESPECT TO
22 JUNE AND JULY OF THIS SPECIFIC YEAR, JUST TO GIVE YOU A
23 PERSPECTIVE OF WHAT WE WERE DEALING WITH, WE WERE DEALING WITH
24 A 20%-- ABOVE A 20% INCREASE IN CASELOAD AND THIS IS ABOVE
25 WHAT WE NORMALLY SEE BECAUSE, AS WE HAD TESTIFIED BEFORE,



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1 DURING THE MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY, DECEMBER AND JANUARY, WE SEE
2 TYPICAL SPIKES, TYPICAL SPIKES THAT WE DEAL WITH BUT, THIS
3 PAST JUNE AND JULY, WE SAW A 20% INCREASE OVER THAT. SO, TO BE
4 QUITE HONEST WITH YOU, THERE WAS NO BUDGETARY OR OTHER PLAN
5 INTO PLACE TO DEAL WITH THAT KIND OF AN INCREASE IN CASELOAD.
6 BUT THE FORTUNATE THING IS THAT WE DO SEE A SIGNIFICANT
7 DOWNTURN ON THAT CASELOAD SO, IN RESPECT TO ANSWERING YOUR
8 QUESTION, WE DEAL WITH THE SPIKES IN CASELOAD PROBABLY ABOUT
9 TWO WEEKS AT A TIME SO, WHEN WE SEE THESE SPECIFIC SPIKES, WE
10 GEAR UP FOR THE TWO-WEEK PERIOD, SOMETIMES 2-1/2 WEEK, AT THE
11 MOST AND, ONCE THAT'S COMPLETED, WE'RE BACK ON TRACK WHERE WE-
12 - WHERE WE'RE NORMALLY AT. BUT IN NO WAY WERE WE BUDGETED OR
13 CAPABLE OF HANDLING A 20% SPIKE. THAT'S THE CONCERN THAT WE
14 HAD FOR THAT TIME PERIOD.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WHAT WAS YOUR CONTINGENCY PLAN IN
17 THE PAST?

18

19 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** THE PLAN IS THAT WE ASK OUR PEOPLE TO RESTRICT
20 THEIR TIME OFF DURING THAT PERIOD. IT'S ABOUT A TWO-WEEK
21 PERIOD, ON AVERAGE, AND WE ADDRESS THE CASELOAD AS IT'S COMING
22 IN. WE MAKE SURE THAT, IF THERE'S ANY OVERTIME THAT NEEDS TO
23 BE WORKED THAT, THAT OVERTIME IS WORKED TO ADDRESS THAT
24 SPECIFIC CASELOAD INCREASE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU INDICATED THAT ONE OF THE PROBLEMS
2 YOU DIDN'T HAVE FUNDING IN PLACE. DID YOU MAKE A DIRECT APPEAL
3 TO THE C.A.O. THAT WE HAD THIS CONDITION AND WE NEEDED TO HAVE
4 A CONTINGENCY PLAN THAT WAS FINANCED TO DEAL WITH THESE
5 DECEASED?

6

7 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** BASED ON THE NUMBERS THAT WE WERE LOOKING AT
8 JUNE AND JULY, WE DID MAKE THAT REQUEST TO THE C.A.O. BECAUSE
9 WE WERE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT WAS HAPPENING AT THAT TIME
10 AND THE PROBLEM THAT WE WERE LOOKING AT WAS WE WERE UNSURE IF
11 THAT WAS GOING TO CONTINUE OR IF IT WAS GOING TO EBB, WHICH,
12 AS I JUST REPEATED, WE DID SEE A DOWNTURN IN THAT CASELOAD.

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR MONTH TO MONTH
15 THIS YEAR TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS TO THE CASELOAD AND, IF THERE IS
16 AN INDICATION THAT IT WILL CONTINUE AT A HIGHER LEVEL, THEN
17 WE'LL HAVE TO COME BACK TO YOUR BOARD PROBABLY WITH BUDGET
18 ADJUSTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS BUT WE THINK IT'S PREMATURE AT THIS
19 TIME.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT'S THE STATUS OF THE SPIKE NOW AND
22 THE CURRENT BODY COUNT?

23

24 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** WE JUST LOOKED AT THE AUGUST NUMBERS AND THE
25 AUGUST NUMBERS ARE LOOKING WELL BECAUSE WHAT WE DID IS WE TOOK



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1 OUR CASELOAD STATISTICS AND MATCHED THEM UP FROM YEARS BEFORE.
2 AS I SAID, IN JUNE AND JULY, WE SAW A 20% INCREASE BUT, IN
3 AUGUST, WE SAW A SLIGHT DECREASE OVER THE PREVIOUS 2005 YEAR.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DOCTOR?

6

7 **DR. LAKSHMANAN SATHYAVAGISWARAN:** DR. LAKSHMANAN, CHIEF MEDICAL
8 EXAMINER, CORONER. BUT IT'S STILL HIGHER THAN 2002 TO 2004.
9 IT'S LESS THAN 2005 BUT HIGHER THAN 2002 TO 2004. AND THE BODY
10 COUNT YOU ASKED, SUPERVISOR, AS OF SEPTEMBER 3RD, THE BODY
11 COUNT IS CURRENTLY 319. WE HAVE BROUGHT IT DOWN TO 319.

12

13 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** AND I THINK WE NEED TO EMPHASIZE THAT THAT IS
14 A LOWER NUMBER THAN WHAT WE ORIGINALLY HAD PLACED IN OUR
15 DOCUMENTATION. IT'S ACTUALLY 319 VERSUS THE 380, SO WE'RE
16 LOOKING BETTER IN THE BODY COUNT AREA AS WELL.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** SO DO YOU FEEL CONFIDENT THAT, IF YOU HAD A 20%
21 SPIKE, THAT YOU WOULD HAVE THE ABILITY TO MAINTAIN THE
22 OPERATIONS?

23

24 **DR. LAKSHMANAN SATHYAVAGISWARAN:** I DON'T THINK WE SAID THAT. I
25 MEAN...



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** NO. I THOUGHT YOU SAID THAT YOU COULD DEAL WITH A
3 10% BUT 20% WAS BEYOND YOUR CAPABILITY. SO WHAT I'M TRYING TO
4 FIGURE OUT IS EXACTLY WHAT THE MECHANISM WOULD BE. THE
5 C.A.O.'S OFFICE, I DON'T KNOW WHETHER THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO
6 ACT THAT FAST IN ORDER TO MAKE SOME KIND OF ALTERNATIVE
7 ARRANGEMENTS AND, IF THAT'S SO, I'D JUST LIKE TO UNDERSTAND
8 HOW IT WOULD WORK AND WHAT YOU WOULD DO IN TERMS OF HAVING
9 NECESSARY PEOPLE. YOU SAY SOME OF YOUR PEOPLE DO OVERTIME,
10 SOME DON'T TAKE TIME OFF. OF COURSE, CHRISTMAS AND AUGUST ARE
11 TIMES-- OR THE SUMMERS ARE TIMES WHEN MOST PEOPLE HAVE PLANNED
12 AHEAD TO TAKE TIME OFF. SO I WANT TO UNDERSTAND JUST EXACTLY
13 WHAT YOUR PLAN WOULD BE IF YOU HIT THE 20% AS YOU DID EARLIER.

14

15 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** YEAH. PART OF THE PLAN IS RESTRICTING TIME OFF
16 DURING THOSE PERIODS BECAUSE WHAT WE ALREADY KNOW, AS PART OF
17 OUR PLAN, IS THAT, OVER THE YEARS, THOSE TIMES WHEN PEOPLE DO
18 TYPICALLY TAKE VACATIONS, THOSE ARE THE TIMES THAT WE GET
19 BUSY. SO PART OF THIS PLAN DOES INCORPORATE THE IDEA THAT
20 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE RESTRICTED TIME OFF DURING THAT PERIOD.
21 WE'RE ALSO LOOKING TO HOPEFULLY INCORPORATE, BY THE TIME THAT
22 WE GET AROUND TO DECEMBER OF THIS YEAR, THAT WE'LL HAVE AN AS-
23 NEEDED FORENSIC PATHOLOGY CONTRACT IN PLACE. THAT'S ANOTHER
24 THING THAT WE'RE PLANNING TO PUT IN PLACE. THAT WILL HELP
25 ADDRESS SOME OF THE ADDITIONAL AUTOPSY LOAD THAT MIGHT COME



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1 FORWARD. NOW, A LOT OF THIS IS CONTINGENT AND I THINK WE WERE
2 IN AGREEMENT WITH THE C.A.O. IN LOOKING AT THIS BY SAYING,
3 OKAY, WE GOT A CASELOAD HERE PROBLEM THAT LASTED ABOUT TWO
4 MONTHS. WE DON'T KNOW THAT WE'RE GOING TO GET THE SAME THING
5 AGAIN. WE KNOW WE'LL GET A SPIKE IN DECEMBER BUT THAT'S
6 NORMAL, THAT'S TYPICAL, WE'RE PREPARED TO HANDLE THAT. IF WE
7 GET ANOTHER JUNE/JULY SCENARIO, THEN WE'LL DEFINITELY BE
8 INCLUDING THE C.A.O. TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY KNOW ABOUT THIS
9 AND THAT WE CAN TAKE THE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO HANDLE THAT
10 PARTICULAR KIND OF SPIKE.

11

12 **DR. LAKSHMANAN SATHYAVAGISWARAN:** THE REASON WE ASKED FOR THE
13 SECOND SHIFT ALSO WAS AS A PART OF THE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE,
14 BECAUSE OUR NORMAL TURNAROUND IS ANYWHERE FROM THREE TO FOUR
15 DAYS AND, DURING THE SPIKE, IT GOT EXTENDED. AND, AS A LONG-
16 TERM GOAL, WE WANTED TO REDUCE IT TO HAVE AN IDEAL TWO DAYS.
17 THAT IS WHY WE ASKED FOR IT BUT THE CONTINGENCY PLAN WILL
18 ADDRESS THE SHORT-TERM INCREASES. BUT IF THE INCREASES
19 CONTINUE ON A LONG-TERM BASIS, WE'LL NEED ADDITIONAL STAFFING,
20 AND THAT'S WHAT THE C.A.O. IS PLANNING TO MONITOR AND INCLUDE
21 THAT IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET OF 2007/2008.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** AND, IN THE EVENT OF SOME KIND OF EMERGENCY OR
24 CALAMITY, YOU HAVE A SEPARATE PLAN FOR THAT?

25



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1 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** YES, WE HAVE AN EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLAN
2 THAT HANDLES THAT.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU HAVE A PREPAREDNESS PLAN. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY QUESTIONS? OKAY. CAN WE HAVE A
7 STATUS UPDATE IN 60 DAYS RELATIVE TO THE HIRING OF YOUR NEW
8 STAFF?

9

10 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** WILL DO.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THE CAPACITY? THANK YOU.

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THANK YOU. WE WILL DO THAT. RECEIVE AND FILE.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED BY BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
17 SO ORDERED. ITEM 62. MARGARET TODD, THE LIBRARIAN. GOOD
18 AFTERNOON.

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20 **MARGARET TODD:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IN YOUR REPORT, YOU INDICATED THAT, ON
23 TWO SEPARATE OCCASIONS, THERE WAS A SIGNIFICANT SECURITY
24 PROBLEM CAUSED BY ADOLESCENT LOITERING OUTSIDE A LIBRARY
25 BUILDING AND YOUR REPORT INDICATED THAT LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT



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1 AND THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY HAD WORKED WITH LIBRARY STAFF
2 TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM. WHAT WAS SPECIFICALLY DONE TO RESOLVE
3 THAT PROBLEM?

4

5 **MARGARET TODD:** FIRST OF ALL, THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY WENT
6 TO THE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AND SPOKE WITH THEM
7 DIRECTLY ABOUT WHAT THEY HAD OBSERVED AND THAT THEY DID FEEL
8 THAT IT HAD POTENTIAL TO ESCALATE AND SOMETHING NEEDED TO BE
9 DONE TO TAKE CARE OF IT. THEY ALSO, AS I REMEMBER,
10 COMMUNICATED WITH THE LOCAL SCHOOL TO IDENTIFY THE YOUNG
11 PEOPLE THAT WERE INVOLVED, SO IT WAS KIND OF A COLLABORATIVE
12 EFFORT. LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT STARTED MAKING MORE FREQUENT
13 ROUNDS AT PARTICULAR TIMES AND THE PROBLEM WENT AWAY,
14 LITERALLY, ONCE I THINK THESE INDIVIDUALS REALIZED THEY WERE
15 BEING OBSERVED AND BEING WATCHED, IT WAS NO LONGER A GOOD
16 PLACE TO BE.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WHAT HAS BEEN THE IMPACT OF THE
19 AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS RELATIVE TO UNATTENDED YOUTH?

20

21 **MARGARET TODD:** WE ARE-- OUR AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ARE VERY
22 WELL ATTENDED, MANY BY YOUTH WHO ARE NOT THERE WITH PARENTS.
23 WHEN THEY'RE IN THE LIBRARY, IT'S A GOOD ACTIVITY FOR THEM.
24 THE YOUTH THAT WE SOMETIMES HAVE DIFFICULTIES WITH ARE THE
25 ONES THAT ARE NOT ACTIVELY USING THE LIBRARY, THEY'RE HANGING



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1 AROUND, SO TO SPEAK, AND WE'D LIKE TO FIND WAYS TO ENCOURAGE
2 THEM TO COME IN AND USE THE FACILITIES.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ARE THERE SPECIFIC TYPES OF AFTER-
5 SCHOOL PROGRAMS THAT COULD BE ADOPTED THAT WOULD REDUCE
6 SECURITY CONCERNS?

7

8 **MARGARET TODD:** WELL, THIS YEAR, WE'VE ADDED A TEEN SERVICES
9 COORDINATOR AT OUR HEADQUARTERS FOR ALL OUR LIBRARIES TO HELP
10 OUR LIBRARIES DEVELOP MORE ACTIVITIES THAT ARE SPECIFICALLY
11 GEARED FOR THAT AGE GROUP AND I THINK THAT'S GOING TO HELP
12 WITH THAT SPECIFIC PROBLEM. I WOULD STATE, THOUGH, THAT I
13 THINK THERE ARE CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS THAT WE JUST SIMPLY NEED
14 TO NOT ALLOW TO BE NEAR OUR LIBRARIES BECAUSE THEY'RE BEYOND
15 OUR ABILITY TO DEAL WITH THEM.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT HAS BEEN THE IMPACT ON THE
18 PORNOGRAPHY FILTERS THAT ARE BEING USED?

19

20 **MARGARET TODD:** THE PORNOGRAPHY FILTERS ARE JUST NOW GETTING
21 INSTALLED. HOWEVER, WE HAD IMPLEMENTED EARLIER, WE WENT AHEAD
22 AND DID SOME SEPARATION OF OUR COMPUTER, CHILDREN'S COMPUTERS
23 FROM ADULTS. WE HAVE IMPLEMENTED NEW POLICIES ABOUT CHILDREN--
24 ABOUT ADULTS USING OUR CHILDREN'S COMPUTERS IN CHILDREN'S



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1 AREAS, SO WE'RE GETTING FAR MORE SEPARATION AND THAT HAS
2 HELPED US A GREAT DEAL.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT WOULD IT COST FOR YOU TO PROVIDE
5 MORE SECURITY AT THE LIBRARIES WITH HIGH SECURITY INCIDENTS?

6

7 **MARGARET TODD:** WELL, WE'VE TALKED AMONG OURSELVES. MR.
8 HUNGERFORD IS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR AND ONE OF THE AREAS HE'S
9 RESPONSIBLE FOR IS SECURITY. WE'VE TALKED ABOUT DO WE DO MORE
10 SECURITY GUARDS? BUT I DON'T KNOW THAT THAT'S A GOOD SOLUTION
11 FOR US IN MOST OF OUR BUILDINGS. OUR BUILDINGS TEND TO BE
12 SMALLER. INCIDENTS COME AND GO. SO THE OTHER OPTION WE'RE
13 LOOKING AT IS WHAT WE'VE STARTED TO DO THIS YEAR, CONTRACTING
14 WITH TWO OPS OFFICERS WHO ARE IN CARS, THEY RESPOND TO
15 POTENTIAL PROBLEMS, DO TRAINING AND THEY ALSO RESPOND TO
16 LOCATIONS WHERE WE'RE HAVING PROBLEMS. THAT HAS BEEN FAIRLY
17 SUCCESSFUL. WE'VE REALLY LIKED THAT. I THINK, IN THE FUTURE,
18 IF WE NEED TO, WE'D LIKE TO EXPAND THAT PROGRAM BUT, OF
19 COURSE, THAT HAS TO DO WITH MONEY BUT IT ALSO HAS TO DO WITH
20 CAPACITY OF OPS TO GIVE US ADDITIONAL OFFICERS.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DO YOU SEE AN INCREASE IN SEX CRIMES
23 BEING COMMITTED?

24



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1 **MARGARET TODD:** I'LL TELL YOU, 30 YEARS OF BEING IN LIBRARIES,
2 I HAVE TO TELL YOU I DON'T SEE A HUGE INCREASE IN THE NUMBER.
3 THESE PEOPLE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN WITH US IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND
4 PROBABLY, UNFORTUNATELY, ALWAYS WILL BE. WHAT I DO SEE IS MORE
5 WILLINGNESS ON THE PART OF PEOPLE TO REPORT THEM TO US. I
6 THINK...

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MORE WHAT?

9

10 **MARGARET TODD:** MORE WILLINGNESS ON THE PART OF PEOPLE TO
11 REPORT THEM. I THINK, 30 YEARS AGO, SOMETIMES PEOPLE WERE TOO
12 EMBARRASSED OR JUST THOUGHT, OH, THAT'S A-- YOU KNOW, WHO
13 CARES? NOW THEY'RE MUCH MORE WILLING TO COME UP TO US AND SAY,
14 "I NEED TO TELL YOU WHAT WENT ON OUT HERE OR THERE," WHICH IS
15 GOOD AS FAR AS WE'RE CONCERNED.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** FOUR PAGES OF CRIMES THAT WERE
18 COMMITTED AND REPORTED OVER THE RECENT YEARS AND DOES STATE--
19 ARE THERE-- DEALING WITH PEDOPHILES, ARE THEY NOT PERMITTED TO
20 BE IN A LIBRARY, AWAY FROM-- LIKE, THEY'RE NOT SUPPOSED WITHIN
21 A SCHOOL RANGE OF A THOUSAND FEET?

22

23 **MARGARET TODD:** MY UNDERSTANDING IS, UNLESS IT'S A CONDITION OF
24 THEIR PAROLE OR PROBATION, THEY CAN COME INTO A PUBLIC
25 LIBRARY. MR. HUNGERFORD, IS THAT CORRECT?



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2 **MR. HUNGERFORD:** THAT IS CORRECT, SUPERVISOR. THERE IS NO
3 STATUTORY PROHIBITION AT THIS TIME AGAINST PEDOPHILES VISITING
4 LIBRARIES.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO IT WOULD TAKE STATE LEGISLATION TO
7 REQUIRE THAT AS...

8

9 **MR. HUNGERFORD:** THAT IS CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** READING SOME OF THESE, IT'S-- YOU
12 KNOW, IT'S SHOCKING AND YOU WOULD THINK THE-- IF YOU'RE GOING
13 TO HAVE STATE LAW THAT PRECLUDES THEM FROM BEING AROUND YOUNG
14 CHILDREN AND THEN THEY HAVE THE LIBRARY THAT ALLOWS THEM TO
15 ESCAPE THAT, THAT PERHAPS WE OUGHT TO LOOK AT HAVING
16 LEGISLATION TO INCLUDE LIBRARIES UNDER THOSE TYPE OF
17 SPECIFICATIONS THAT PROHIBIT PEDOPHILES FROM BEING IN CONTACT
18 WITH YOUNG PEOPLE.

19

20 **MARGARET TODD:** I UNDERSTAND THERE ARE CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES,
21 WHICH WE WOULD NEED TO WORK WITH, BUT I AGREE WITH YOU,
22 SUPERVISOR. I HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING THAT A CONVICTED
23 PEDOPHILE HAS WALKED INTO ONE OF MY BUILDINGS.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RIGHT. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? DAVID,
2 PERHAPS WE COULD EXPLORE THAT TYPE OF LEGISLATION.

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE CAN TAKE A LOOK AT THAT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YEAH. OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
7 ORDERED. ITEM NUMBER 35 AND 36. THANK YOU.

8

9 **MARGARET TODD:** OH, YOU'RE FINISHED.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 35 AND 36. I THOUGHT YOU BECAME THE
12 NEW PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR. (LAUGHTER) DR. CLAVREUL?

13

14 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
15 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. THE REASON I HELD THOSE ITEMS IS
16 BECAUSE MAYBE WE WILL NOT HAVE TO POSTPONE ITEMS SO OFTEN IF
17 DR. FIELDING WAS STILL NOT WORKING AT U.C.L.A. AND I WAS TOLD
18 LAST WEEK THAT HE HAD NO LONGER SPENDING ANY TIME AT U.C.L.A.
19 WHEN YOU CHECK THE WEBSITE OF U.C.L.A., DR. FIELDING IS STILL
20 A PROFESSOR AT U.C.L.A. WHEN YOU CALL THE NUMBER, THEY TELL
21 YOU, "THIS IS THE OFFICE OF DR. FIELDING" AND, IF YOU HAVE AN
22 URGENT MESSAGE, YOU CALL DR. FIELDING AT 213-240-8117, WHICH
23 IS A COUNTY NUMBER AND YOU GET ROBERTA.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** DID YOU LEAVE HIM A MESSAGE?



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2 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** NO, I DIDN'T LEAVE A MESSAGE, I DON'T
3 WANT TO WASTE MY TIME OR SALIVA ON THAT BUT I THINK, YOU KNOW,
4 I'M GETTING TIRED OF GETTING MISINFORMED. AND, LAST WEEK, WHEN
5 YOU TOLD ME HE WAS NO LONGER AT U.C.L.A., YOU SEE, ME, I NEVER
6 ASSUME ANYTHING. I CHECK. AND THAT WAS THIS MORNING, BY THE
7 WAY. THIS MORNING AT 9-- AT 8:42, HE STILL HAS A PHONE NUMBER
8 AND HE'S STILL AFFILIATED WITH U.C.L.A.

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MR. MAYOR, I SENT A CLARIFYING MEMO AFTER MY
11 COMMENTS AT THE BOARD MEETING LAST WEEK. WHAT I SHOULD HAVE
12 SAID OR INTENDED TO SAY IS THAT HE WOULD NO LONGER RECEIVE ANY
13 MONEY FROM U.C.L.A. AND HE'S NOT. HE STILL HAS AN ASSOCIATION
14 WITH U.C.L.A. BUT HE'S NOT BEING PAID BY THEM.

15

16 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** IT STILL BRINGS THE SAME ISSUE OF
17 CONFLICT OF INTEREST. I MEAN, HE'S A PERSON REVIEWING NUMEROUS
18 CONTRACTS HAVING TO DO WITH HEALTH, MANY GOING MORE OFTEN I
19 THINK TO U.C.L.A. THAN ANY OTHER PLACES. I THINK HIS DUTY AS
20 THE PUBLIC HEALTH REQUIRE ATTENTION AND VERY IMPORTANT
21 ATTENTION AND I THINK FOR HIM TO BE STILL AFFILIATED WITH
22 U.C.L.A. IS INAPPROPRIATE. AND IT'S VERY AMAZING THAT, YOU
23 KNOW, PUBLICLY YOU WOULD MAKE A STATEMENT THAT HE WOULD BE NO
24 LONGER SPENDING ANY TIME AT U.C.L.A. AND I NOW REVIEW THE
25 TAPE, YOU SAID HE WOULD NO LONGER SPEND...



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I SAID I MISSPOKE AND I CLARIFIED IT IN A MEMO
3 TO THE BOARD, IS WHAT I SAID.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT WE ALREADY HAD THAT UNDERSTANDING THAT HE WAS
6 A MEMBER OF THE FACULTY OF U.C.L.A. BUT HE WAS NOT BEING PAID
7 THERE, THAT HE OCCASIONALLY GIVES LECTURES.

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** AND I THINK THAT-- I DON'T THINK THERE WAS ANYONE
12 ON THE BOARD THAT DIDN'T UNDERSTAND IT BUT PERHAPS...

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** I UNDERSTAND THE CLARIFYING BUT, I MEAN, I
15 UNDERSTOOD HIM NOT TO BE AFFILIATED IN ANY WAY WITH U.C.L.A.
16 THAT'S THE IMPRESSION THAT I GOT.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND IT THAT WAY.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THOUGHT IT WAS CLEAR IN ALL THE DOCUMENTS
21 THAT WE RECEIVED AND ALSO IN HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH US.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT WAS NOT CLEAR. IT WAS BURIED IN A LOT OF
24 DOCUMENTS.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S FUNNY THE WAY THIS IS BREAKING DOWN
2 KIND OF THE WAY WE...

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YEAH, IT IS. WITH RESPECT TO THE TUESDAY
5 COMMENT, I MISSPOKE AND I CLARIFIED.

6

7 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** IT WAS A TOTAL MISREPRESENTATION OF
8 THE FACTS. AND, YOU KNOW, I THINK THIS HAS BEEN AN AREA OF
9 CONTENTION FOR QUITE SOME TIME. WHERE DR. FIELDING'S
10 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY BELONGS AND NEITHER YOU NOR U.C.L.A. CAN
11 GIVE ME AN ANSWER. I SPOKE TO THE CHANCELLOR OF U.C.L.A. TWO
12 YEARS AGO, I SPOKE TO THE ATTORNEY A YEAR AGO AND NOBODY CAN
13 TELL ME AND THAT'S VERY INAPPROPRIATE FOR SOMEBODY WHO'S IN A
14 POSITION THAT HE IS NOW TO COVER THOSE FUNCTIONS. PAY OR NOT
15 PAY, IT'S STILL A CONFLICT OF INTEREST. I MEAN, THIS IS A MAN
16 WHO TEACHES AT U.C.L.A., WHO RECEIVES A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF
17 MONEY FROM THIS COUNTY. THIS IS INAPPROPRIATE. I DON'T CARE,
18 YOU KNOW, WHAT YOU SAY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GENEVIEVE, DO YOU WANT TO TALK ON ITEM
21 NUMBER 20? YOU ALSO SIGNED UP ON THAT.

22

23 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** OH, WELL, I DIDN'T TAKE THE DOCUMENTS
24 WITH ME BUT I CAN. ON ITEM 20, ABOUT THE GRAND JURY, I WAS THE
25 ONE WHO REQUESTED AN INVESTIGATION FROM THE GRAND JURY ABOUT



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1 THE WAY HEALTHCARE WAS CONDUCTED IN L.A. COUNTY. ONE OF THE
2 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE GRAND JURY, TO MY GREAT PLEASURE, WAS
3 THE RECOMMENDATION THAT THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS LOOKED AT A
4 HEALTH AUTHORITY. OF COURSE, THE LAST FEW MONTHS, YOU HAVE
5 DONE EVERYTHING TO PREVENT ANY KIND OF BEHAVIOR WHAT WOULD
6 ALLOW A HEALTH AUTHORITY AND THAT THE RESPONSE TO THE GRAND
7 JURIES THAT I'VE SEEN TODAY AND I READ ALL THE DOCUMENTS,
8 THERE IS NOT ONE SINGLE ITEM, NOT ONE SINGLE LINE DEALING WITH
9 THAT RECOMMENDATION AND I WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO KNOW WHAT
10 HAPPENED TO THAT RECOMMENDATION AND YOUR RESPONSE TO THE GRAND
11 JURY WHY YOU ARE NOT DOING IT. OF COURSE, NOW THAT YOU HAVE
12 DISMANTLED, YOU KNOW, THE D.H.S. AND PUBLIC HEALTH, IT WILL BE
13 MUCH MORE DIFFICULT BUT SINCE YOU ARE RESPONDING TO THE GRAND
14 JURY AND YOU ARE RESPONDING ON THEIR RECOMMENDATION, I WOULD
15 LIKE TO SEE AND I'M QUESTIONING, WHERE IS A RESPONSE?

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WELL, I KNOW, EACH YEAR, THE BOARD AND
18 OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS HAVE MEETINGS WITH THE GRAND JURY
19 RELATIVE TO ASKING THEM-- SUGGESTING AREAS THAT THEY COULD
20 REVIEW AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BUT, YOU KNOW, YOU'D BE A
21 GOOD CANDIDATE FOR THE GRAND JURY WHEN THEY DO THE SELECTIONS.

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23 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I'M SORRY?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU WOULD BE A GOOD CANDIDATE TO ENTER
2 THE GRAND JURY LOTTERY WHEN THEY SELECT THE NEW MEMBERS OF THE
3 NEW GRAND JURY.

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5 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** NO, I WOULD NOT BE, BECAUSE I WOULD
6 SPEAK THE TRUTH NO MATTER WHAT, AND I DON'T THINK THEY DO. I
7 THINK THEIR CONTRACT WAS A LOT OF, YOU KNOW, PREJUDICE AND
8 BIAS AND, AS A FREE AGENT LIKE I AM NOW, I CAN SAY WHATEVER I
9 WANT TO. THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. ITEM 35 AND 36 BY
12 BURKE, SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ALSO-- OH, I'M SORRY. ALSO ITEM 20.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALSO ON ITEM 20 BY MOLINA. SECONDED.
17 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 35 AND 36 WERE CONTINUED.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, WERE CONTINUED. OKAY. AND 20 WAS
22 APPROVED. LET ME INTRODUCE A MOTION FOR NEXT WEEK. SOUTHERN
23 CALIFORNIA EDISON HAS SUBMITTED AN APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF
24 CALIFORNIA'S PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION TO CONSTRUCT HIGH
25 POWER TRANSMISSION LINES AND TOWERS FROM TEHACHAPI TO LOS



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1 ANGELES COUNTY. TO REACH LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THE PROPOSED
2 POWER LINES AND TOWERS MUST BE LOCATED IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
3 AND SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. EDISON SUBMITTED ALIGNMENT FOR THE
4 PROJECT. THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT MAINTAINS OR MANDATES
5 THAT SUCH AN E.I.R. MUST IDENTIFY ALTERNATIVES TO A PROPOSED
6 PROJECT. IN THIS CASE, SEVERAL ALTERNATIVES ALIGNMENTS WERE
7 IDENTIFIED AND THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION HAS THE
8 AUTHORITY TO MODIFY THE TERM OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. THE
9 COMMENT PERIOD IS SET TO END ON SEPTEMBER 18TH BECAUSE THE
10 ALIGNMENT, IDENTIFIED AS ALTERNATIVE 5, WAS NOT PRESENTED
11 UNTIL VERY RECENTLY. SO I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT THE BOARD, FOR
12 NEXT WEEK, SEND A 5-SIGNATURE LETTER TO THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC
13 UTILITIES COMMISSION REQUESTING THAT THE COMMENT PERIOD BE
14 EXTENDED FOR AN ADDITIONAL 60 DAYS AND DIRECT THE DIRECTOR OF
15 REGIONAL PLANNING AND DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO REVIEW THE
16 PROPOSED ALIGNMENTS, IDENTIFY POTENTIALLY ADVERSE IMPACTS UPON
17 RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN
18 THE CLOSED CPUC PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. SO THAT WOULD BE FOR
19 NEXT WEEK. SUPERVISOR MOLINA. NO ADJOURNMENTS? SUPERVISOR
20 BURKE.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
23 THE MEMORY OF LELA PATTERSON, THE MOTHER OF FORMER SENATOR
24 THERESA HUGHES AND LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE SECOND DISTRICT.
25 LELA PATTERSON RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 96. AND JOE



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1 NAZEL, JR., WHO WAS A FORMER "L.A. WATTS TIMES" EDITOR AND
2 JOURNALIST WHO WROTE A SERIES OF BIOGRAPHIES ON BLACK
3 LUMINARIES SUCH AS THURGOOD MARSHAL, B.B. KING AND EARVIN
4 "MAGIC" JOHNSON. HE PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST THE 30TH AT A LOCAL
5 HOSPICE FROM BRAIN CANCER AT THE AGE OF 62.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ADD ME TO THAT. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY
8 TO KNOW HER WHEN I WAS IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE, HER MOTHER
9 HAD-- SHE'S A VERY CHARMING LADY AND FULL OF A LOT OF WISDOM.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** SHE'S VERY FORTUNATE HER MOTHER LIVED TO 96. BUT
12 JOE NAZAL, JR. LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS SON, KIM, TWO
13 SISTERS, CHARLOTTE AND PENNY, AND ONE BROTHER, REGINALD. AND
14 DOLORES "ELLA D" HAYNES, THE WIFE OF OF DR. LOVELY HAYNES,
15 PASTOR OF ST. MARK BAPTIST CHURCH, WHO PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST
16 15TH AT THE AGE OF 64. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER
17 HUSBAND OF 46 YEARS, DR. LOVELY HAYES, TWO SONS, TONY AND
18 DARYL, TWO GRANDDAUGHTERS, ALEXANDRIA AND ASHLEY, AND A HOST
19 OF FRIENDS AND RELATIVES. AND MICHAEL JOHNSON, WHO WAS KILLED
20 IN A TRAGIC DRIVE-BY SHOOTING ON AUGUST 29TH WHILE IN HIS CAR
21 IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. HE WAS 21 YEARS OLD. HE LEAVES TO
22 CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS PARENTS, HENRY AND MELVA JOHNSON, ONE
23 SISTER, LAUREN, AND ONE BROTHER, KENAN. AND ORLANDO HINES, AN
24 ELIGIBILITY WORKER FOR THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY
25 AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES FOR 20 YEARS, PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST



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1 26TH AT THE AGE OF 62. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER
2 SISTER, JEAN WELCH, AND A BROTHER, ALLEN HINES.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
5 ORDERED.

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7 **SUP. BURKE:** I HELD ITEM 24. JUST LIKE TO ASK SOME QUESTIONS.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CORONER.

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11 **SUP. BURKE:** MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE'S A CONTRACT WITH
12 PARTNERS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF TISSUE. WHO ARE THE PARTNERS THAT
13 WE PARTNER WITH?

14

15 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** YES, SUPERVISOR, TONY HERNANDEZ, DEPARTMENT OF
16 CORONER. THE PARTNERS THAT WE CONTRACT WITH OR SUBCONTRACT
17 WITH ARE WEST COAST TISSUE BANK, PACIFIC COAST TISSUE BANK AND
18 ONE LEGACY. AND WHEN I SAY "WE", I'M TALKING ABOUT THE MAIN
19 HOLDER OF THE CONTRACTOR, WHICH IS TISSUE BANKS INTERNATIONAL.

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21 **SUP. BURKE:** SO THAT THERE IS-- IS THERE EQUAL DISTRIBUTION AND
22 EQUAL ACCESS? BECAUSE SOME OF THESE ISSUES HAVE COME UP, YOU
23 KNOW, IN THE PAST.

24

25 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** IN THE PAST THEY DID, SUPERVISOR.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT YOU THINK THOSE THINGS HAVE BEEN WORKED OUT
3 NOW?

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5 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** ABSOLUTELY. THEY WERE WORKED OUT UNDER YOUR
6 BOARD'S INSTRUCTION AND DIRECTION. WE DID HAVE A PANEL THAT
7 EXTENSIVELY REVIEWED THE PREVIOUS CONTRACT, THE ONE THAT'S
8 STILL IN PLACE NOW, AND ALL OF THE ISSUES THAT WERE BROUGHT UP
9 BY THE BOARD OR OTHER SUBCONTRACTORS WERE COMPLETELY
10 ADDRESSED.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** NOW, LET ME UNDERSTAND THIS. IF WE GET CALLS FROM
13 CONSTITUENTS WHO HAVE PROBLEMS IN BURYING LOVED ONES, IS THERE
14 SOME ARRANGEMENTS WHEREBY, IF THE TISSUE IS DONATED, THAT THEY
15 GET ASSISTANCE WITH BURIAL? IS THAT WHAT HAPPENS?

16

17 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** NO, SUPERVISOR, THERE'S NO PROVISION AS SUCH
18 FOR ANY TYPE OF ASSISTANCE OF THAT NATURE. TYPICALLY, WHEN WE
19 GET REQUESTS LIKE THAT IN OUR OWN OFFICE, WE REFER THEM TO THE
20 APPROPRIATE CHURCHES, SYNAGOGUES.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** I SEE.

23

24 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** IN SOME CASES, ALSO, FUNERAL HOMES WHO ARE
25 WILLING TO PROVIDE GRATIS SERVICE.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, NOW, WHAT ABOUT FOR PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE
3 THE FUNDS? IS THERE PROVISION FOR THEM TO GET-- HAVE ACCESS TO
4 TISSUE THROUGH THESE BANKS?

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6 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** ABSOLUTELY.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** EVEN IF THEY DON'T HAVE INSURANCE?

9

10 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** ABSOLUTELY. THE TISSUES ARE PROVIDED GRATIS BY
11 TISSUE BANK INTERNATIONAL TO REQUESTING HOSPITALS. FOR
12 EXAMPLE, IF A PATIENT IS IN NEED OF, LET'S SAY, CORNEA-- THE
13 REASON I SAY CORNEAL TISSUE IS BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT'S PRIMARILY
14 REQUESTED. THAT REQUEST IS FUNNELED THROUGH THE HOSPITAL
15 DIRECTLY THROUGH TISSUE BANKS INTERNATIONAL WHO, IN TURN,
16 PROVIDES THAT GRATIS TISSUE FOR THAT PARTICULAR OPERATION.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** AND IT IS MADE TO ALL HOSPITALS IN THE AREA ON A
19 EQUITABLE BASIS?

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21 **TONY HERNANDEZ:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. THOSE ARE THE ONLY QUESTIONS THAT I
24 HAD.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
2 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK THERE WAS ONE OTHER ITEM THAT I HAD THAT I
5 THINK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HELD AND THAT WAS NUMBER 6, AND I
6 UNDERSTOOD HE HAD AN AMENDMENT?

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, I HAVE A VERY BRIEF AMENDMENT. WHICH
9 IS SIMPLY TO ADD A NUMBER 2, TO DIRECT DEPARTMENTS TO WORK
10 CLOSELY WITH THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER, CHIEF
11 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE AND INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO
12 ENSURE THAT ALL P.C.S, ALL THESE COMPUTERS AND RELATED
13 COMPUTER EQUIPMENT, BE PROPERLY PURGED OF ALL DATA AND MEMORY
14 OR DATA STORAGE DEVICES PRIOR TO BEING OFFERED AND MADE
15 AVAILABLE FOR NONCOUNTY USES.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** I CERTAINLY WOULD ACCEPT THAT. I KEEP HEARING THAT
18 YOU CAN'T DO THAT, THOUGH, THAT, ONCE IT'S IN MEMORY, THAT
19 IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO DO IT BUT, TO THE DEGREE IT'S
20 POSSIBLE, I CERTAINLY THINK IT SHOULD BE...

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, IF IT'S NOT POSSIBLE, THEN I'D LIKE--
23 THEN I DON'T THINK WE CAN GIVE THEM AWAY, SO WE NEED-- IF IT'S
24 NOT POSSIBLE, IF YOU CAN GET US BACK A REPORT ON THAT.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU'RE SURE OF THAT? THAT'S BECAUSE IT'S ON A
2 P.C.?

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4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, ANY HARD DRIVE CAN BE SCRUBBED AND THE
5 DATA CAN BE ELIMINATED. THE PENTAGON DOES IT AND SOFTWARE IS
6 AVAILABLE TO DO THAT. YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO GIVE THEM AWAY IF
7 THEY HAD DATA ON THEM.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE PENTAGON DOES IT? WE SHOULD GET
10 VERIFICATION.

11

12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** (LAUGHTER)

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. WELL, IF YOU'RE ASSURING US THAT IT CAN BE--
15 CERTAINLY, I AGREE THAT WE SHOULD TAKE ALL THE DATA OFF.

16

17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** I ACCEPT THAT AMENDMENT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SO WE HAVE A MOTION BY BURKE AS
22 AMENDED BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
23 ORDERED.

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25 **SUP. BURKE:** I HAVE NOTHING FURTHER.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK I WAS HOLDING ITEM 8 AND THIS IS
5 PROPOSITION-- ASKING THE BOARD TO TAKE A POSITION IN SUPPORT
6 OF PROPOSITION 86, WHICH IS THE TOBACCO ACT OF 2006 WHICH WILL
7 PROVIDE ADDITIONAL STATEWIDE FUNDING FOR HOSPITAL EMERGENCY
8 SERVICES, CANCER PREVENTION TREATMENT PROGRAMS, AMONG OTHER
9 THINGS AND THINGS THAT ARE VERY CRITICAL TO THE COUNTY OF LOS
10 ANGELES. THE COUNTY STANDS TO RECEIVE APPROXIMATELY \$96
11 MILLION PER YEAR STARTING THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR, 2007/2008, IN
12 SUPPORT OF THE COUNTY'S HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEM. THIS IS
13 REALLY A CRITICAL MEASURE, NOT ONLY TO THE COUNTY OF LOS
14 ANGELES AND TO OTHER COUNTIES THAT PROVIDE HEALTH SERVICES
15 THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA, BUT IT'S ALSO CRITICAL TO THE
16 HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEM IN GENERAL, THE PRIVATE, NONPROFIT,
17 FOR-PROFIT, PUBLIC SECTOR, MEDICAL CARE DELIVERY SYSTEM ARE
18 ALL PART OF ONE SYSTEM AND, WHEN ONE GOES UNDER, AS WE NOW SEE
19 IN THE HOSPITAL IN ENGLEWOOD, AS WE HAVE SEEN IN THE SAN
20 FERNANDO VALLEY, AS WE'VE SEEN IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, WHEN
21 A HOSPITAL CLOSES, THE RIPPLE EFFECT-- EITHER A HOSPITAL OR AN
22 EMERGENCY ROOM CLOSES, THE RIPPLE EFFECT HAS CONSEQUENCES TO
23 THE REST OF THE COUNTY AND, IN A WORD, DIMINISHES THE QUALITY
24 OF HEALTHCARE THAT ALL 10 MILLION RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES
25 COUNTY HAVE ACCESS TO. SO THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO DO WHAT I



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1 WISHED THE LEGISLATURE AND THE GOVERNOR COULD HAVE DONE ON
2 THEIR OWN WITHOUT HAVING TO FORCE HEALTH ADVOCATES TO RESORT
3 TO THE INITIATIVE PROCESS. BUT I WAS AMAZED THAT EVEN, THIS
4 YEAR, THE BUILDUP WOULD HAVE PROVIDED A VERY MODEST AMOUNT,
5 JUST A FEW MILLION DOLLARS, FOR TRAUMA CARE IN THE STATE OF
6 CALIFORNIA FOR-- INCLUDING, I THINK, \$9 MILLION FOR THE COUNTY
7 OF LOS ANGELES WAS VETOED, SOMETHING THAT THE STATE COULD
8 EASILY AFFORDED WHICH WOULD HAVE HELPED US AND OTHER COUNTIES
9 THAT PROVIDE THAT SERVICE, THAT VERY CRITICAL SERVICE, WAS
10 VETOED BY THE GOVERNOR-- AFTER A LONG BATTLE OF TRYING TO GET
11 IT OUT OF THE LEGISLATURE, THEN IT WAS VETOED BY THE GOVERNOR.
12 SO THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEMS OF HEALTHCARE
13 FINANCE ON THE STATEWIDE LEVEL ON A BROADER BASIS. THIS BOARD
14 RECOGNIZES WHAT OUR STRUCTURAL DEFICIT IS IN THE HEALTH
15 DEPARTMENT, SOMEWHERE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF \$300 MILLION AND
16 \$96 MILLION WILL CLOSE THAT STRUCTURAL DEFICIT BY A THIRD AND
17 HOPEFULLY WE'LL BE ABLE TO PIECE TOGETHER THE OTHER TWO-THIRDS
18 DURING THE COURSE OF THE COMING YEAR. WE'RE IN FAR BETTER
19 SHAPE TODAY THAN WE WERE A FEW YEARS AGO BECAUSE WE'VE HAD
20 SUPPORT FROM THE PUBLIC WHEN WE'VE GONE TO THEM BOTH STATEWIDE
21 AND ESPECIALLY LOCALLY HERE FOR THESE-- FOR FINANCING OF
22 HEALTHCARE. I KNOW THERE'S CRITICISM OF-- BY SOME THAT SOME OF
23 THIS MONEY WOULD GO TO FOR-PROFIT HOSPITALS. I WANT TO HASTEN
24 TO ADD THAT PROPOSITION "B" MONEY, WHICH WAS APPROVED BY THE
25 PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, A PORTION OF THAT GOES TO FOR-



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1 PROFIT HOSPITALS THAT PROVIDE TRAUMA CARE. I WANT TO HASTEN TO
2 ADD THAT THERE HAVE BEEN PROPOSALS ON THIS BOARD, MOTIONS THAT
3 HAVE BEEN MADE TO FINANCE GAPS IN PRIVATE FOR-PROFIT HOSPITALS
4 BECAUSE THOSE HOSPITALS, THOSE EMERGENCY ROOMS, ESPECIALLY,
5 ARE CRITICAL TO THE HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEM. SO THAT IS
6 NOT, IN AND OF ITSELF, A PROBLEM AS LONG AS THERE'S
7 ACCOUNTABILITY, WHICH THERE IS IN THIS MEASURE, AS LONG AS
8 THERE IS-- THERE'S A METHOD TO THE MADNESS, WHICH THERE IS IN
9 THIS MEASURE, THIS DESIGN TO PROVIDE SOLID BASE OF FINANCIAL
10 SUPPORT TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE, TO NURSING, TO THE CRITICAL
11 SERVICES THAT HAVE BEEN SUFFERING FOR THE LAST DECADE OR MORE
12 IN CALIFORNIA. AGAIN, TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THIS WOULD
13 MEAN \$96 MILLION, WHICH IS ABOUT ONE-THIRD OF WHAT OUR
14 STRUCTURAL DEFICIT IS IN THAT DEPARTMENT, SO I WOULD ASK FOR
15 AN AYE VOTE IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 86, IT'S A TAX ON
16 TOBACCO. TOBACCO-RELATED DISEASES COST THE PEOPLE OF THIS
17 STATE OVER \$4 BILLION A YEAR AND THIS IS AN APPROPRIATE NEXUS,
18 IN MY JUDGMENT.

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20 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME CALL UP-- WE HAVE PEOPLE TO
23 SPEAK, TO. DO YOU WANT TO HEAR THE SPEAKERS OR YOU WANT TO
24 SPEAK FIRST?

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S OKAY. GO AHEAD AND...

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LORI KUNDRAT, PALANDA BROWNLOW AND
4 COLLEEN CALLAHAN. GOOD MORNING-- OR GOOD AFTERNOON.

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6 **LORI KUNDRAT:** HI. GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY
7 NAME IS LORI KUNDRAT WITH THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY. I'M
8 HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY AND OUR
9 VOLUNTEERS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO URGE THE SUPPORT FROM THE
10 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON PROPOSITIONS 86. I'M JUST GOING TO
11 OUTLINE WHY IT'S IMPORTANT TO THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY AND
12 OUR VOLUNTEERS. SMOKING REMAINS THE NUMBER ONE CAUSE OF
13 PREVENTABLE DEATHS AND DISEASE. LUNG CANCER IS THE LEADING
14 CAUSE OF LATINO DEATHS AND AFRICAN-AMERICANS CONTINUE TO
15 DISPROPORTIONATELY DIE FROM TOBACCO-RELATED DISEASES. THE
16 C.D.C. ESTIMATES THAT THE COST OF SMOKING INCLUDES 75 BILLION
17 A YEAR IN DIRECT HEALTHCARE COSTS. WITH PROPOSITION 86 FROM
18 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES REPORT, NEARLY 180,000
19 DEATHS DUE TO SMOKING WILL BE PREVENTED AMONG OUR CALIFORNIA
20 YOUTH. PROPOSITION 86 WILL PREVENT 700,000 KIDS FROM SMOKING
21 AND 300,000 PREMATURE DEATHS WILL BE PREVENTED. THIS
22 INITIATIVE WOULD MORE THAN TRIPLE THE CURRENT STATE FUNDING
23 FOR CANCER RESEARCH. IT WILL GREATLY EXPAND THE STATE'S
24 EXISTING TOBACCO CONTROL PROGRAM. 20% OF THE INITIATIVE GOES
25 DIRECTLY TO SMOKING CESSATION. IT WILL EXPAND THE BREAST



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1 CANCER, CERVICAL CANCER, PROSTATE CANCER AS WELL AS
2 ESTABLISHING NEW PROGRAMS AT THE STATE LEVEL FOR COLORECTAL
3 CANCER AS WELL AS NUTRITION AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY. THE
4 AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY IS DEDICATED TO OUR MISSION OF
5 REDUCING CANCER INCIDENTS AND MORTALITY AND IMPROVING THE
6 QUALITY OF LIFE FOR CANCER PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES.
7 PROPOSITION 86 IS SUPPORTED AND SPONSORED BY THE AMERICAN
8 CANCER SOCIETY, THE AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION AND THE AMERICAN
9 HEART ASSOCIATION, AS WELL AS A BROAD COALITION OF
10 CALIFORNIANS LEADING HEALTHCARE ADVOCATES. WE ARE SPONSORING
11 THIS INITIATIVE BECAUSE IT WILL HELP KIDS FROM STARTING TO
12 SMOKE. THE TOBACCO COMPANIES OPPOSE THIS MEASURE FOR THE SAME
13 REASON. TOBACCO COMPANIES KNOW THAT 90% OF SMOKERS START AS
14 TEENS. ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY AND OUR
15 VOLUNTEERS, I'M HERE TODAY TO URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR
16 PROPOSITION 86. THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **PALANDA BROWNLOW:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS PALANDA BROWNLOW
21 AND I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY CLINIC ASSOCIATION
22 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AS A POLICY AND ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION
23 REPRESENTING 43 COMMUNITY CLINICS THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES
24 COUNTY, CCALAC IS PROUD TO PARTNER WITH SUCH ASSOCIATIONS AS
25 THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION, THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY,



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1 THE AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION AND OTHER LIKE ORGANIZATIONS TO
2 SUPPORT AND ENDORSE PROPOSITION 86, THE TOBACCO TAX
3 INITIATIVE. PROPOSITION 86 WILL GENERATE APPROXIMATELY \$2.1
4 BILLION FOR CALIFORNIA HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS. THE FUNDS
5 GENERATED BY PROPOSITION 86 WILL GO TOWARDS PROGRAMS SUCH AS
6 EMERGENCY ROOM CARE, NURSE EDUCATION AND TRAINING, TARGETED
7 SMOKING REDUCTION AND SMOKING-RELATED DISEASE PREVENTION.
8 SPECIFICALLY, THIS MEASURE WILL ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF
9 HEALTH INSURANCE TO THE 800,000 UNINSURED CHILDREN THROUGHOUT
10 THE STATE. \$58 MILLION WILL BE ALLOCATED TO 700 COMMUNITY
11 CLINICS AND HEALTH CENTERS THROUGHOUT THE STATE THAT SERVE THE
12 UNINSURED AND UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES. WITH AN ESTIMATED 6.4
13 MILLION UNINSUREDS IN CALIFORNIA AND 2.1 MILLION UNINSUREDS IN
14 L.A. COUNTY ALONE, THIS INCREASED REVENUE WILL ASSIST OUR
15 COMMUNITY CLINICS IN THEIR CONTINUED PROVISION OF PRIMARY CARE
16 SERVICES, WHICH INCLUDE REGULAR CHECKUPS, IMMUNIZATIONS, CARE
17 FOR ACUTE, EPISODIC AND CHRONIC CONDITIONS. THE FUNDS WILL
18 ALSO ASSIST OUR CLINICS AS THEY ADDRESS THE CHALLENGES AND
19 NEEDS OF SPECIAL POPULATIONS BY PROVIDING DENTAL SERVICES,
20 H.I.V./A.I.D.S. EDUCATION AND TESTING, CASE MANAGEMENT AND
21 MANY OTHER PROGRAMS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO THE WELLNESS OF THE
22 COMMUNITY. IN LIGHT OF THESE FACTS, CCALAC REQUESTS THAT THE
23 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SUPPORT AND ENDORSE
24 PROPOSITION 86. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

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3 **COLLEEN CALLAHAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS COLLEEN CALLAHAN.

4 I'M WITH THE AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION IN CALIFORNIA, THE

5 OLDEST VOLUNTARY PUBLIC HEALTH ORGANIZATION IN THE NATION AND

6 OUR MISSION IS TO PREVENT LUNG DISEASE AND TO PROMOTE LUNG

7 HEALTH. AND, IN ORDER TO DO SO, WE THINK PROPOSITION 86 IS

8 EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. PROPOSITION 86 IS A CRITICAL AND

9 DESPERATELY NEEDED INVESTMENT TOWARDS IMPROVING THE HEALTH OF

10 OUR CHILDREN. THE PROPOSITION WILL NOT ONLY HELP KIDS FROM--

11 PREVENT KIDS FROM SMOKING BUT IT WILL ALSO GIVE RESOURCES TO

12 PEOPLE WHO WANT TO SMOKE. AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE AMERICAN

13 LUNG ASSOCIATION, I KNOW HOW HARD IT IS FOR PEOPLE TO QUIT

14 SMOKING. MAJORITY OF SMOKERS WANT TO QUIT AND WE ARE HERE TO

15 HELP THEM. THIS INITIATIVE WILL ALSO FUND CRITICAL HEALTHCARE

16 PRIORITIES SUCH AS THOSE ALREADY MENTIONED: CHILDREN'S HEALTH

17 INSURANCE, IMPROVE THE ACCESS TO EMERGENCY ROOMS, NURSE

18 EDUCATION, SMOKING REDUCTION, EDUCATION, CESSATION, AS WELL AS

19 TREATMENT AND RESOURCE-- RESEARCH, EXCUSE ME, EFFORTS. SO, ON

20 BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION, I URGE YOUR SUPPORT

21 OF PROPOSITION 86. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KNABE. THANK

24 YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I JUST-- YOU KNOW, I THINK THE UNFORTUNATE
2 THING, I MEAN, ALL THESE ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORT PROP 86, WHICH
3 I'M SURE THEY WOULD AND THAT WAS OBVIOUSLY THE INTENT OF THE
4 ORGANIZERS, AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT ALL OF US UP HERE SUPPORT
5 AS WELL, TOO, FROM THE AMERICAN LUNG TO COMMUNITY CLINICS TO,
6 YOU KNOW, THE HEART ASSOCIATION TO OTHERS. MY CONCERN
7 CONTINUES TO BE, AGAIN, IT'S JUST YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT IT AS
8 FUNNY MONEY. YOU HAVE A TAX THAT YOU'RE ATTEMPTING TO DO THAT,
9 IF SUCCESSFUL, WILL HAVE A DECLINING REVENUE AND THE REASON
10 FOR PROP 86 IS BECAUSE PROP 10 WAS SUCCESSFUL AND HAS A
11 DECLINING REVENUE AND SOME OF THESE DOLLARS ARE GOING BACK
12 INTO BACKFILL FIRST 5 AS WELL, TOO, SO THERE'S REAL ISSUES
13 THERE. I THINK, COUNTYWIDE, C.S.A.C. HAS TAKEN A POSITION IN
14 OPPOSITION, AS WELL, TOO, UNFORTUNATELY BUT, I MEAN, I THINK
15 THAT THE POINT BEING IS THAT WE HAVE MONEY THAT, IF
16 SUCCESSFUL, THE PROGRAM'S SUCCESSFUL, WE HAVE A DECLINING
17 REVENUE AND IT'S JUST NOT GOOD BUDGETING FOR US BECAUSE, ONCE
18 YOU PUT SOME OF THESE THINGS INTO A PROGRAM, AND IF THERE'S A
19 FALLING REVENUE, WHERE DO THEY COME? THEY COME TO LOCAL
20 GOVERNMENT. I SUPPORTED MEASURE "B" AND I THOUGHT THAT WAS THE
21 RESPONSIBILITY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND OUR EMERGENCY ROOMS
22 AND TRAUMA CARE AND EVERYTHING ELSE THAT WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH.
23 BUT, AGAIN, THESE THINGS KEEP POPPING UP EVERY COUPLE OF YEARS
24 BECAUSE THERE'S DECLINING REVENUES IN OTHER WAYS FOR OTHER



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1 TAXES AND SO I AM NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO SUPPORT THE MOTION
2 ON THE FLOOR.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MY CONCERN IS YOU HAVE A BLACK MARKET
5 OUT THERE AND THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION HAS INDICATED THAT A
6 BLACK MARKET HAS REDUCED THE SALES OF-- REVENUES FROM
7 CIGARETTE TAX THAT HAS BEEN ALREADY BEEN PASSED. RIGHT NOW, A
8 PACKAGE OF CIGARETTES IS NEARLY \$4 FOR A PACKAGE. THIS IS
9 ADDING A \$2.60 PER TAX ON CIGARETTES AND, AGAIN, ALL YOU'RE
10 DOING IS FUELING A BLACK MARKET, IT'S AN OVERKILL AND
11 PROPOSITION 86 ALSO CHEATS THE SCHOOL CHILDREN OUT OF \$840
12 MILLION IN NEW TAX REVENUES BECAUSE THIS EXEMPTS FROM THE TAX
13 THE REQUIREMENTS OF PROP 98, WHICH REQUIRES 40% OF ANY NEW
14 REVENUES WOULD GO EXCLUSIVELY INTO EDUCATION AND THIS
15 SPECIFICALLY OPPOSES THAT PROVISION, WHICH WOULD JEOPARDIZE
16 THE SCHOOLS FROM THOSE REVENUES. SO, ON THE TWO FRONTS, THE
17 COST IS SO EXCESSIVE AND YOU CAN REMEMBER WHEN A PACKAGE OF
18 CIGARETTES WERE 25 CENTS, 50 CENTS BUT NOW NEARLY \$4 AND THEN
19 MAKING IT NEARLY SIX, SEVEN-- WELL, A DOLLAR OF GAS IS STILL
20 CHEAPER THAN BOTTLED WATER.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, I REMEMBER WHEN THERE WAS 19 CENTS A
23 GALLON GAS.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT THE POINT IS THAT THE TAX HAS BEEN
2 EXCESSIVE THAT YOU'RE GOING TO DRIVE A BLACK MARKET WHICH EVEN
3 THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO
4 AND FIREARMS HAS CONCLUDED THERE IS A DIRECT RELATIONSHIP IN
5 SUCH A BLACK MARKET. SO THAT WOULD BE WHY I WOULD BE OPPOSING
6 IT. SUPERVISOR BURKE, DID YOU WANT TO SPEAK ON IT?

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL SECOND THE MOTION. I'M SUPPORTING IT. WE HAVE
9 EVERYONE WORRIED ABOUT TRYING TO ELIMINATE 98 AND NOW THEY'RE
10 SAYING THEY WANT TO MAINTAIN IT. I'M GLAD TO HEAR THAT.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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14 **SUP. MOLINA:** ONE OF THE BENEFITS OF THIS IS THAT, EVERY TIME
15 WE'VE PASSED A TAX LIKE THIS, WHAT WE HAVE SEEN IS LESS NUMBER
16 OF SMOKERS. THAT IS PROVEN TIME AND TIME AGAIN. AND IT IS THE
17 SMOKERS WHO, FOR THE MOST PART, ARE OCCUPYING MORE OF OUR
18 EMERGENCY ROOMS AND ALL OF US ARE HAVING TO BE A PART OF THAT.
19 SO, AGAIN, THERE'S NO DOUBT THIS IS A HUGE COST FOR THE
20 SMOKER, HUGE, AND AN ESCALATION BUT, AT THE SAME TIME, THE
21 DIRECT BENEFIT TO ALL OF US, AS TAXPAYERS, IS GOING TO BE THAT
22 THEY ARE GOING TO BE SUBSIDIZING THE ESCALATING COST OF
23 EMERGENCY ROOM AND THAT ALL OF US ARE HAVING TO PAY FOR THAT
24 BILL AS WELL. SO THERE IS A DIRECT CONNECTION AND IT'S A
25 DIRECT BENEFIT TO ALL CALIFORNIANS.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. CALL THE ROLL.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AYE.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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10 **SUP. BURKE:** AYE.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO. SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I BELIEVE I HAD ONE OTHER ONE.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** 9.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NUMBER 9 IS BEING HELD BY A MEMBER OF THE
4 PUBLIC AND BY YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. THIS IS A MOTION THAT WOULD
5 OPPOSE H.R. 4761, WHICH WOULD ELIMINATE THE BAN ON OFFSHORE
6 OIL DRILLING IN CALIFORNIA. WHAT WE WOULD PROPOSE IN THIS
7 MOTION IS TO OPPOSE THAT BILL, SUPPORT THE-- AS THE BOARD HAS
8 DONE BEFORE, TO SUPPORT THE CONTINUED BAN ON OIL DRILLING OFF
9 THE COAST OF CALIFORNIA, JUST AS HAS BEEN DONE IN FLORIDA AND
10 OTHER PLACES, AND TO PROTECT ONE OF THE MOST PRECIOUS
11 ENVIRONMENTAL AS WELL AS ECONOMIC RESOURCES OF THE COUNTRY,
12 WHICH IS THE CALIFORNIA COASTLINE.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RICHARD ROBINSON.

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16 **RICHARD ROBINSON:** HONORABLE MAYOR, MEMBERS, THROUGH THE CHAIR,
17 I SUPPORT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S OPPOSITION TO HOUSE
18 RESOLUTION 4761. SIR, THE BAN ON OFFSHORE OIL DRILLING MUST BE
19 KEPT IN PLACE. SLICKS CAUSED BY LEAKING FROM OIL RIGS ARE
20 KILLING WILDLIFE. PLANT AND ANIMAL BOTH ARE BEING KILLED
21 BECAUSE OF THE-- AND ZEV, PARDON ME FOR DIGRESSING, BUT,
22 THROUGH THE CHAIR, I REMEMBER WHEN OIL WAS 15 CENTS A GALLON
23 BACK IN DETROIT. BUT, AS WE ICE THE INTERNAL COMBUSTION
24 ENGINE, A JOURNEY OF A THOUSAND MILES BEGINS BUT WITH A SINGLE
25 STEP, SAINT MATTHEW 6:34 TELLS US NOT TO WORRY ABOUT TOMORROW.



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1 IT'S AN INEVITABILITY. HISTORICALLY, WE CORRECT PROBLEMS HERE
2 IN THE UNITED STATES. CHANGE IS INEVITABLE BUT THE DEEP OCEAN
3 ENERGY RESOURCES ACT OF 2006 OR ANY OTHER LEGISLATION WHICH
4 WOULD ELIMINATE THE BAN ON OFFSHORE OIL DRILLING ARE NOT
5 COMMON SENSE AT THIS TIME WHEN ELECTRIC AUTOMOBILE PRODUCTION
6 IS ABOUT TO BEGIN IN ERNEST IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE
7 ENVIRONMENT, ICE THE INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE, QUOTE,
8 UNQUOTE. IT WOULD BE A GREAT BUMPER STICKER. I'VE BEEN WORKING
9 ON IT FOR ABOUT 30 YEARS. ICE THE INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE.
10 ALSO, I THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME WE GOT AROUND TO BUILDING
11 DEASSEMBLY PLANTS AS OPPOSED TO ASSEMBLY PLANTS, DISASSEMBLING
12 AUTOMOBILES AS OPPOSED TO CHOPPING THEM UP INTO LITTLE PIECES
13 AND DROPPING THEM INTO THE OCEAN BUT THAT'S ANOTHER ISSUE. OIL
14 SLICKS LIKE THAT CAUSED BY THE EXXON VALDEZ, THAT TERRIBLE
15 SPILL, ARE INCREASING GLOBALLY. SUNLIGHT IS NOT REACHING
16 SEVERAL SQUARE MILES OFF THE PACIFIC'S COAST, OFF THE COAST OF
17 ALASKA, BECAUSE THE SURFACE COATING OF OIL IS PREVENTING
18 PHOTO-- THE PROCESS BY WHICH CERTAIN LIVING PLANT CELLS
19 COMBINE WATER, CARBON DIOXIDE, AND LIGHT ENERGY TO PRODUCE
20 SUGAR AND RELEASE OXYGEN AS A WASTE PRODUCT. THE PLANTS ON
21 THIS PLANET HAVE GRACEFULLY GIVEN US OXYGEN. LET'S KEEP THE
22 SUNLIGHT COMING INTO THEM. BUT I DIGRESS. THE KING JAMES
23 VERSION OF THE BIBLE IS GOD'S WORD. TO MY MIND, WHEN THE FIRST
24 BOOK IN THE BIBLE SAYS "SUBDUE," IT DOESN'T MEAN RUIN. THANK
25 YOU.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D MOVE...

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE A MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. IS
5 THERE A SECOND? SECOND. CALL THE ROLL.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AYE.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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13 **SUP. BURKE:** AYE.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO.



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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: OH, MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE AN ADJOURNING
MOTION. I WANT TO ASK, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, THAT WE ADJOURN
IN MEMORY OF NAGUIB MAHFOUZ, FIRST ARAB AUTHOR TO BE AWARDED
THE NOBEL PRIZE IN LITERATURE. HE WAS WIDELY CREDITED AS THE
FATHER OF THE MODERN EGYPTIAN NOVEL WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY
AT THE AGE OF 94. HIS WRITING REFLECTED THE LIVES IN THE
VERNACULAR OF ORDINARY EGYPTIANS, SATIRIZING RELIGION AND
TWEAKING AUTHORITY FIGURES. HIS IRREVERENT LITERARY APPROACH
NEARLY COST HIM HIS LIFE, AT ONE TIME TRIGGERING A NEAR-FATAL
KNIFE ATTACK AT THE HANDS OF AN ENRAGED FUNDAMENTALIST. HE IS
SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND TWO DAUGHTERS AND IT'S A LOSS TO THE
LITERARY WORLD. THANK YOU.

14

SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
ORDERED. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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SUP. KNABE: MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I HAVE AN
ADJOURNMENT. LOST A GREAT LADY LAST WEEK, BETTY LOU FROST, WHO
WAS A LOCAL ACTIVIST AND LONG-TIME ACTIVIST AND PROFESSOR
EMERITUS OF MODERN LANGUAGES AT MARYMOUNT COLLEGE IN PALOS
VERDES. SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84 AUGUST 25TH. SHE WAS
A BELMONT SHORE NATIVE, LIVED ALL HER ADULT LIFE IN NAPLES,
CALIFORNIA. SHE RECEIVED HER B.A. AND M.A. FROM CAL STATE
UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH. SHE BECAME AN OUTSTANDING AND VERY



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1 ADMIRER PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE AT CAL STATE
2 AS WELL AS MARYMOUNT. SHE RETIRED IN 1994. SHE INITIATED AND
3 COORDINATED THE POPULAR ELECTIVE CLASS AT CAL STATE LONG
4 BEACH. SHE SUPPORTED MANY ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE MUSEUM
5 OF LATIN AMERICAN ART, CAL STATE'S OPERA INSTITUTE, THE LONG
6 BEACH OPERA, AND THE LONG BEACH SYMPHONY, AND SHE WAS INVOLVED
7 IN MANY POLITICAL CAUSES AND WITH MANY CANDIDATES. SHE IS
8 SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, WILLIAM WALLACE [MCDANNEL] AND MARGO
9 WATSON AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY MANY.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
12 ORDERED.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M NOT HOLDING ANYTHING, MR. MAYOR.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ERNEST HAMILTON, MARINA EICK, AND
17 PASTOR VANDERHOFF. ALSO COULD WE HAVE L.A.C.O.E., A
18 REPRESENTATIVE FROM L.A.C.O.E. PUBLIC WORKS.

19

20 **ERNEST HAMILTON:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. MAYOR, HONORABLE BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ERNEST HAMILTON. I'M EXECUTIVE
22 DIRECTOR OF NONPROFIT PERSONAL CARE TECHNOLOGY. PERSONAL CARE
23 TECHNOLOGY IS A ORGANIZATION, A NONPROFIT THAT TRAINS PEOPLE
24 TO BECOME CARE PROVIDERS FOR PERSONS WITH SPINAL CORD
25 INJURIES. I'M HERE ALSO TO REPRESENT THE PARALYZED VETERANS OF



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1 AMERICA AND TO REPORT THAT WE ARE OPEN AND EXCITED TO WORK
2 WITH THE S.E.I.U., I.H.S.S. AND A P.A.S.C. TO TRAIN PEOPLE TO
3 BECOME CARE PROVIDERS FOR PERSONS WITH SPINAL CORD INJURIES.
4 AS YOU ARE AWARE, THERE ARE A LOT OF VETERANS RETURNING FROM
5 IRAQ, AFGHANISTAN AND WHEREVER AND THERE'S NOT A SYSTEM IN
6 PLACE THAT REALLY TRAINS PEOPLE TO BECOME CARE PROVIDERS FOR
7 PERSONS WITH SPINAL CORD INJURIES. NOW, I'M NOT JUST
8 ADDRESSING THE VETERANS. THERE'S A LOT OF OTHER PEOPLE WHO ARE
9 INJURED BY DRIVE-BYS OR WHATEVER ELSE AND WE JUST LIKE TO MAKE
10 OURSELVES AVAILABLE TO WORK WITH SUPERVISOR BURKE'S OFFICE AND
11 THE REST OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, JUST LET YOU KNOW THAT
12 WE'RE AVAILABLE AND WE WOULD LIKE TO HELP YOU GUYS TO USE US
13 IF YOU NEED TO. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. HAMILTON.

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. HAMILTON IS ALSO A NOTED PLAYWRIGHT, "GIMPS IN
18 THE HOOD". GREAT PLAY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM.

21

22 **MARINA EICK:** MY NAME IS MARINA EICK, I'M A HOUSEWIFE AND I
23 HAVE JUST LEARNED THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON
24 HUMAN RELATIONS PLANS TO HONOR MAHER HATHOUT, PRESIDENT OF THE
25 ISLAMIC CENTER OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND A SENIOR ADVISOR TO



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1 THE MUSLIM PUBLIC AFFAIRS COUNCIL WITH THE JOHN ALLEN BUGS
2 AWARD FOR HIS OUTSTANDING HUMAN RELATIONS WORK. THE
3 INVESTIGATIVE PROJECT ON TERRORISM RECORDED MR. HATHOUT
4 DELIVERING A SPEECH IN OCTOBER 2000 AT A RALLY ACROSS FROM THE
5 WHITE HOUSE. HATHOUT REFERRED TO ISRAEL AS A BRUTAL APARTHEID
6 STATE AND SAID THAT ISRAEL BUTCHERS DO WHAT BUTCHERS DO AND
7 WHAT IS EXPECTED FROM A RACIST APARTHEID STATE IS WHAT IS
8 HAPPENING NOW. MR. HATHOUT SAID THAT THE UNITED STATES
9 COMMITTED STATE TERRORISM. HE THREATENED ARAB GOVERNMENTS WITH
10 A GENERAL INTIFADA FOR HOLDING SUMMITS WITH ISRAELI
11 PARTICIPATION. IN HIS WORDS, THE LEADERS OF THOSE ARAB
12 COUNTRIES WOULD BE FLUSHED DOWN IN THE CESSPOOLS OF HISTORY OF
13 TREASON. HOW THREATENING, HOW DISCOURAGING SUCH SPEECH IS FOR
14 ARABS WHO TRY TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL. IN 1998,
15 AFTER PRESIDENT CLINTON STRUCK AGAINST SUDAN IN AFGHANISTAN
16 FOLLOWING THE AFRICA EMBASSY BOMBINGS, HATHOUT SAID OUR
17 COUNTRY IS COMMITTING ACTS OF TERRORISM ACCORDING TO THE
18 DEFINITION. WHAT WE DID IS ILLEGAL, IMMORAL, INHUMAN,
19 UNACCEPTABLE, STUPID AND UN-AMERICAN. YET WHEN SABARRO WAS
20 BOUND IN JERUSALEM IN 2001, RATHER THAN CONDEMNING HAMAS FOR
21 THE SLAUGHTER, HE BLAMED ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER SHARON'S
22 POLICY FOR THE VIOLENCE. THIS IS A MAN WITH A CLEARLY ANTI-
23 JEWISH, ANTI-ISRAELI AND ANTI-AMERICAN AGENDA, AN AGENDA THAT
24 IS CONSISTENTLY PRO TERRORIST. HE DOES NOT PRETEND TO BE
25 POSITIVE OR EVEN OBJECTIVE TOWARD NONISLAMIC HUMANITY AND



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1 HUMAN LIFE. IT BOGGLES THE MIND TO HAVE MR. HATHOUT MENTIONED
2 IN THE SAME BREATH AS POSITIVE RACE AND HUMAN RELATIONS.
3 PLEASE WITHDRAW THE PLAN TO HONOR A MAN WHO IS DECIDEDLY NOT
4 IN FAVOR OF PEACE, TOLERANCE, OR MUTUAL RESPECT. TO CONFER
5 THIS HONOR UPON HIM IS TO AGREE WITH HIS STATEMENTS AND
6 VALIDATE THEM. TELLING HIM THAT HE IS A GOOD BOY WILL NOT
7 CAUSE HIM TO RECONSIDER HIS PREJUDICES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
8 ATTENTION.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. KEITH CARZIN. KEITH? ALSO,
11 COULD WE HAVE PUBLIC WORKS AND L.A.C.O.E. HOW DO YOU PRONOUNCE
12 YOUR LAST NAME?

13

14 **KEITH CARZIN:** KARZIN.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** KARZIN. OKAY. YOU WRITE LIKE I DO.

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18 **KEITH CARZIN:** OKAY. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS KEITH CARZIN
19 WITH THE SAUGUS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT AND I WANT TO FIRST OFF
20 JUST SAY THANK YOU FOR RECTIFYING AND COMING-- GIVING SOME
21 RESOLUTION TO THIS PROBLEM WITH CROSSING GUARDS OUT IN THE
22 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. WE DID HAVE-- SCHOOL STARTED ABOUT TWO
23 WEEKS AGO AND, AT A COUPLE OF OUR SCHOOL SITES, WE DID NOT
24 HAVE CROSSING GUARDS. AND I AM THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND RISK
25 MANAGEMENT AND WE WERE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. OBVIOUSLY,



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1 WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR KIDS ARE SAFE AND SO, AS A
2 RESULT OF THAT, WE CONTACTED YOUR OFFICE, AS WELL AS
3 L.A.C.O.E. GOT INVOLVED, AND WE MET ON FRIDAY OF LAST WEEK
4 WITH ALL PARTIES AND FELT THAT THE MEETING WAS VERY FRUITFUL.
5 WE CAME TO SOME RESOLUTION AND I CAN SAY, SPEAKING FOR THE
6 DISTRICT OUT THERE, THE PROBLEM HAS BEEN RESOLVED AND WE
7 REALLY ARE GRATEFUL FOR THAT.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THIS ALSO, NOT JUST OUR AREA, BUT
10 THE OTHER SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS UNDERSTAND ALSO SOME
11 ENCOUNTERED THE SAME PROBLEM, SO PERHAPS L.A.C.O.E. AND PUBLIC
12 WORKS COULD TELL US WHAT WE'VE NOW PUT IN PLACE TO PREVENT
13 THIS FROM OCCURRING IN THE FUTURE.

14

15 **FERRIS TREMBLE:** THANK YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH. MY NAME IS FERRIS
16 TREMBLE. I'M DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF BUSINESS OPERATIONS
17 FOR L.A.C.O.E. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF DR. DARLENE ROBLES, WHO
18 IS ATTENDING HER OWN BOARD MEETING THIS AFTERNOON. ONCE WE
19 BECAME AWARE OF THE PROBLEM BY VIRTUE OF PHONE CALLS AND
20 COMMUNICATIONS FROM OUR CONTRACTOR, WE IMMEDIATELY PUT INTO
21 PLACE BACKUP CONTRACTORS TO SUPPORT CASTAIC, SAUGUS AND THE
22 NEWHALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS. WE HAVE THAT BACKUP CURRENTLY IN
23 PLACE. WE HAVE INCREASED OUR COMMUNICATIONS CHANNEL BY USING
24 THE L.A.C.O.E. OFFICE DIRECTLY IN ADDITION TO OUR CONTRACTORS.
25 AS YOU MAY OR MAY NOT KNOW, L.A.C.O.E. HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY



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1 TO SUPPORT 213 CROSSING GUARDS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, THAT'S
2 35 SCHOOL DISTRICTS, THREE PRIVATE SCHOOLS AND SOME CHARTER
3 SCHOOLS. WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR APPROXIMATELY 25 TO 30
4 YEARS. WE'VE HAD GENERALLY SMOOTH OPERATIONS. IT IS A
5 CONTRACTED-OUT JOB AND WE ARE CURRENTLY REVIEWING OUR
6 CONTRACTING PROCEDURES FOR THESE CONTRACTORS. THERE ARE A
7 LIMITED NUMBER OF QUALIFIED CONTRACTORS THAT PROVIDE CROSSING
8 GUARDS AND SO, TO THAT EXTENT, WE'RE TRYING TO AUGMENT OUR
9 SUPPORT FOR OUR CURRENT CONTRACTOR WITH ADDITIONAL CONTRACTORS
10 BY LOOKING AT INNOVATIVE WAYS OF USING OUR OWN SECURITY FORCE
11 TO SUPPORT OUR CONTRACTOR WHEN WE HAVE SHORTFALLS. I'D BE
12 HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IN YOUR CONTRACT, DO YOU HAVE A
15 PROTOCOL IN PLACE FOR SUBSTITUTE GUARDS WHEN THERE'S ILLNESS
16 OR TRUANCY, JUST AS A SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS IN PLACE SUBSTITUTE
17 TEACHERS WHEN THEIR TEACHER IS OUT?

18

19 **FERRIS TREMBLE:** YES, WE DO, MAYOR ANTONOVICH. PRIOR TO THIS,
20 WE HAD IN PLACE A PROTOCOL, THE CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO HAVE
21 213 SITES COVERED AT ITS FULL LEVEL. OF THOSE 213, HE'S
22 REQUIRED TO HAVE AN ADDITIONAL 60 SUPPORT PERSONNEL THAT WILL
23 BACKFILL WHEN THERE ARE ABSENCES SO THEY CAN CALL A AFFILIATE
24 OR A SUBSTITUTE, IF YOU WILL.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IN THIS CASE, THE 60 BACKFILLS WERE
2 UNAVAILABLE?

3

4 **FERRIS TREMBLE:** WELL, HE WAS UNABLE TO CONTRACT HIS 60
5 BACKFILLS. WE'VE HAD A CHANGE, KIND OF A DYNAMICS SHIFT IN THE
6 LAST, I WOULD SAY, SIX TO NINE MONTHS. GIVEN THE PRICE OF
7 GASOLINE AND GIVEN THE PRICE OF COMPETING WITH OUR
8 MUNICIPALITIES, THEY ALSO USE THE SAME COMPANIES THAT WE USE
9 AND THE SAME GUARDS THAT WE USE. WE HAVE BEEN SHORTCHANGED, SO
10 TO SPEAK, BECAUSE THE MUNICIPALITIES ARE PAYING A LITTLE BIT
11 MORE THAN WE ARE PAYING AND SO, TO THAT EXTENT, WE'RE
12 REVIEWING THAT TO BE COMPETITIVE. IN ADDITION, WE HAVE BROKEN
13 UP THE CONTRACT NOW WHEREBY WE HAVE A SECONDARY CONTRACTOR
14 THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT THE PRIMARY CONTRACTOR
15 ANYWHERE IN THE COUNTY, NOT JUST FOR THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS IT TRUE, THEN, THAT THERE'S ONLY
18 ONE COMPANY THAT PROVIDES THIS SERVICE?

19

20 **FERRIS TREMBLE:** PRESENTLY WE HAVE TWO. INITIALLY THERE WAS
21 ONE, YES.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DOES THE STAFF REGULARLY MONITOR
24 LOCATIONS TO ASSURE THAT CROSSING GUARDS ARE IN PLACE?

25



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1 **FERRIS TREMBLE:** DAILY. WE HAVE A PROTOCOL IN PLACE WHEREBY THE
2 CONTRACTOR CALLS IN IF HE HAS AN UNCOVERED SLOT. WE WILL
3 INFORM PUBLIC WORKS OF THAT AND WE WILL WORK WITH THE
4 CONTRACTOR TO COVER THAT SLOT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WHAT HAPPENED IN THE CASE, IN THE
7 VALLEY WHERE THAT DIDN'T TAKE PLACE?

8

9 **FERRIS TREMBLE:** EXCUSE ME. THE CONTRACTOR SIMPLY COULD NOT GET
10 GUARDS THERE FAST ENOUGH. IT WAS THE START OF SCHOOL AND A
11 NUMBER OF THE GUARDS JUST SIMPLY DID NOT SHOW UP, THEY QUIT ON
12 THE SPOT BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT GOING TO DRIVE INTO A LOCATION TO
13 WORK FOR, SAY, 7.50 AN HOUR WHEN GAS IS COSTING THEM 3.50 OR
14 MORE.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HAVE YOU LOOKED AT ENCOURAGING
17 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST OF HAVING THEIR OWN CONTRACTING
18 SERVICE, CROSSING GUARD SERVICE SO THAT LET'S SAY A RESIDENT
19 IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY DOESN'T GO TO LONG BEACH AND
20 SOMEONE FROM LONG BEACH DOESN'T GO TO THE SANTA CLARITA
21 VALLEY?

22

23 **FERRIS TREMBLE:** THE BEST GUARDS THAT WE CAN HAVE ARE THOSE
24 THAT LIVE IN THE COMMUNITY AND WE ARE TRYING TO ENGAGE IN
25 OUTREACH WITH ALL OF OUR SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND THE COMMUNITIES.



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1 WE DISCOVERED, AS MR. CARZIN MENTIONED, THAT THE CITIES ARE
2 DOING THE SAME THING THAT WE ARE DOING, THEY ARE TRYING TO
3 COMPETE FOR GUARDS BECAUSE MOST OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE
4 USING CITY GUARDS. VERY FEW, IF ANY, SCHOOL DISTRICTS PROVIDE
5 CROSSING GUARDS. THEY ALL ARE PROVIDED BY THE MUNICIPALITY OR
6 BY THE POLICE OR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECS. IN THE
7 UNINCORPORATED AREAS, L.A.C.O.E. PROVIDES THOSE TYPES OF
8 CROSSING GUARDS. AS I'VE DONE MY RESEARCH IN ANTICIPATION OF
9 APPEARING BEFORE YOU TODAY, I'VE CHECKED WITH MOST OF THE-- I
10 SAY MOST OF THE COUNTY OFFICES OF EDUCATION IN SOUTHERN
11 CALIFORNIA AND I FOUND NO OTHER COUNTY OFFICE THAT DOES THIS.
12 WE ARE THE ONLY ONE.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT WE CAN'T DO
15 IT RIGHT.

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17 **FERRIS TREMBLE:** ABSOLUTELY. I AGREE. AS LONG AS WE HAVE A
18 RESPONSIBILITY, WE'RE GOING TO DO IT RIGHT.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I WOULD ALSO ENGAGE-- LET'S TAKE SANTA
21 CLARITA AS AN EXAMPLE. THEIR SENIOR CENTER IS QUITE ACTIVE AND
22 THEY HAVE A LARGE NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS THAT ARE VOLUNTEERING
23 IN ALL TYPES OF PROGRAMS AND YOU HAVE A NUMBER OF SERVICE
24 CLUBS THAT ARE QUITE ACTIVE IN THE AREA, THE SAME IN THE
25 ANTELOPE VALLEY AND I KNOW ON THE EAST SIDE, THE EAST SAN



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1 GABRIEL VALLEY AS WELL. SO YOU HAVE AREAS WHERE YOU HAVE
2 STRONG COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR THE SCHOOLS AND FOR THE COMMUNITY
3 THAT ENGAGING THESE INDIVIDUALS BECAUSE YOU NEED TO HAVE A
4 BACKUP SYSTEM IN PLACE WHEN THE PRIMARY CROSSING GUARD IS
5 ABSENT BECAUSE A, YOU KNOW, FOUR-YEAR-OLD, FIVE-YEAR-OLD, SIX-
6 YEAR-OLD CROSSING THE STREET IS VULNERABLE.

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8 **FERRIS TREMBLE:** I AGREE. WE WILL WORK WITH COMMUNITY AGENCIES
9 ON OUR OUTREACH WITH THE CONTRACTOR. WE HAVE FLIERS THAT WE'RE
10 PREPARED TO DISPENSE WHERE THEY CAN WORK, THEY CAN GIVE A
11 DONATION TO THE SCHOOL IF THEY DON'T WANT THE MONEY, THINGS
12 THAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO TO GET THE LOCALS INVOLVED TO COVER
13 EACH SITE.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. PUBLIC WORKS, CAN YOU ADD
16 ANYTHING TO THIS DIALOGUE?

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18 **ANTHONY NYIVIH:** SUPERVISOR, MY NAME IS ANTHONY NYIVIH, I'M
19 WITH PUBLIC WORKS. OUR ROLE IN THE CROSSING GUARD PROGRAM IS
20 TO STUDY A LOCATION, BASED ON YOUR BOARD-ADOPTED POLICY, TO
21 DETERMINE WHAT LOCATION MEETS THE CRITERIA SET IN THE POLICY
22 FOR THE ASSIGNMENT OF CROSSING GUARDS, AND THAT'S BASICALLY
23 OUR ROLE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. ANY QUESTIONS FROM ANY MEMBER?
2 THANK YOU AND THANK YOU AND LET US KNOW IF THE SYSTEM BREAKS
3 DOWN AGAIN AND HOPEFULLY, THROUGH YOUR MEETINGS THAT WE'VE
4 HAD, THIS WILL HAVE RESOLVED IT.

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6 **FERRIS TREMBLE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MERCEDES RIVERA, PETER
9 BAXTER, AND PASTOR VANDERHOFF. WHOEVER WANTS TO GO FIRST. MR.
10 BAXTER?

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12 **PETER BAXTER:** I'D LIKE TO HAVE A DRINK OF WATER FIRST.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SURE, YOU CAN HAVE A DRINK OF WATER.

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16 **PETER BAXTER:** THANK YOU. MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF YOUR
17 HONORABLE BOARD, MR. JANSSEN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS
18 PETER BAXTER AND I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. A CANDLE BURNING IN A
19 GLASS CONTAINER WHICH IS OPEN AT THE TOP DEMONSTRATES
20 PRECISELY THE PHYSICS AND CHEMISTRY OF THE PROPOSAL TO DENY
21 HOSTILE FIRE OXYGEN. FIRST THERE'S THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE
22 IN THAT PROCESS. A FLAME IS APPLIED TO THE WICK OF THE CANDLE
23 WHEREUPON THE CANDLE IS IGNITED AND THE CANDLE'S WICK BURNS. A
24 BURNING CANDLE DRAWS FRESH AIR INTO THE OPENING OF THE GLASS
25 CONTAINER AT THE TOP OF THE GLASS CONTAINER. THAT IS THE



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1 RESULT OF THE PHYSICS, THE CHEMICAL REACTION WHICH TAKES PLACE
2 IN THE WICK-- AT THE WICK OF THE CANDLE AS IT BURNS. THIS
3 WICK, WHICH IS FUEL, COMBINES WITH THE OXYGEN AND THE FRESH
4 AIR TO PRODUCE A PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL CHANGE IN THE FUEL AND
5 IN THE OXYGEN. THAT CHANGE INTRODUCES THE PRODUCTS OF
6 COMBUSTION OF WHICH ARE HEAT, LIGHT AND SMOKE, EVIDENCE OF
7 COMBUSTION OR FIRE. COMBUSTION OR FIRE IS THEREFORE TAKING
8 PLACE. I NOTICED TODAY AT THE FORMAL MENTION OF THE 9/11
9 DISASTER THAT THE SHERIFF SPOKE FOR THE GOVERNMENT, THAT NO
10 ONE SPOKE FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. THIS SHOWS A GREAT CHANGE
11 IN THE APPROACH TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OVER THE YEARS. THE
12 FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN THE RECIPIENT OF WONDERFUL EXCESSES
13 OF THANKS AND APPRECIATION. WE NEVER TALK ABOUT TECHNOLOGY IN
14 THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. WE TALK ABOUT TECHNOLOGY IN KING/DREW
15 HOSPITAL BUT NOT IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, ALL OF WHICH IS
16 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED AND I THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MISS RIVERA.

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20 **MERCEDES RIVERA:** YEAH. AND I'LL BE SPEAKING IN SPANISH.

21 (SPEAKING SPANISH) (SPEAKING SPANISH)

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. PASTOR?

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1 **MINISTER JOSEPH VANDERHOFF:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU FOR THE
2 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. MY NAME IS JOSEPH VANDERHOFF. I'M A
3 MINISTER. I'VE BEEN A MINISTER FOR APPROXIMATELY 27 YEARS.
4 ABOUT 10 OR 12 YEARS AGO, I BECAME INTERESTED IN DOING JAIL
5 WEDDINGS HAVING BEEN ASKED TO DO THEM BY SO MANY INMATES. I
6 HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH SOME OF YOUR OFFICES OVER THE LAST FEW
7 YEARS ABOUT A PROBLEM I HAVE BEEN HAVING, PARTICULARLY
8 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK HER STAFF. BUT, AS OF
9 NOW, I HAVE BEEN TRYING FOR ABOUT 10 OR 12 YEARS WITH THE LOS
10 ANGELES COUNTY JAIL TO PERFORM JAIL WEDDINGS AND THEY HAVE
11 BEEN PREVENTING ME FROM DOING IT. THEY CHANGED THE RULES GOING
12 BACK ABOUT FOUR OR FIVE YEARS AGO SAYING, "YES, WE'LL ALLOW
13 JAIL WEDDINGS BUT YOU HAVE TO REQUEST IT TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE
14 AND YOU HAVE TO PROVIDE A COPY OF THE MARRIAGE LICENSE" AND
15 CERTAIN OTHER RULES. THE ONLY PROBLEM IS THAT THEY ARE NOT
16 ALLOWING IT TO TAKE PLACE AT ALL. I HAVE HELD-- LEE BACA
17 REFUSES TO MEET WITH ME. THEY'VE USED THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S
18 OFFICE AS AN EXCUSE. IN THEIR RULES AND PROCEDURES, THEY SAY
19 THAT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE HAS REQUESTED TWO WEEKS'
20 NOTICE DUE TO SPOUSAL IMMUNITY. I DID MEET WITH STEVE COOLEY
21 AND I HAVE A LETTER FROM HIM SAYING THAT HIS OFFICE NEVER MADE
22 THAT REQUEST. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN LYING ABOUT
23 THAT. I'VE RECENTLY BEEN IN TOUCH WITH THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE
24 AGAIN AND THEY SAID THEY'LL REMOVE THAT PROVISION OF THE RULES
25 SAYING THAT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY IS ASKING FOR TWO WEEKS'



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1 NOTICE BUT THEY'RE STILL GOING TO REQUIRE TWO WEEKS' NOTICE.
2 THEY'RE ALSO ASKING FOR COPIES OF A CONFIDENTIAL MARRIAGE
3 LICENSE. BY COUNTY REGULATIONS AND BY STATE LAW, THIS
4 INFORMATION IS CONFIDENTIAL AND OPEN ONLY TO A JUDGE UPON A
5 COURT ORDER. THEY HAVE NO RIGHT TO IT. THE ABUSE THAT HAS
6 TAKEN PLACE. WE SENT ONE OF OUR MINISTERS TO WAYSIDE JAIL. HE
7 WAS UNLAWFULLY DETAINED FOR APPROXIMATELY FOUR HOURS,
8 SEARCHED, RIDICULED, THREATENED WITH ARREST. I FILED A
9 COMPLAINT. IT WAS WHITEWASHED TO THE POINT I DON'T EVEN KNOW
10 HOW TO ANSWER IT.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT IS THE PROBLEM? I MEAN, YOU SAID
13 THEY USED TO HAVE THE WEDDINGS, NOW THEY'RE NOT ALLOWING THEM?

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15 **MINISTER JOSEPH VANDERHOFF:** I USED TO BE DOING THEM-- AT ONE
16 TIME, THEY WEREN'T ALLOWING THE WEDDINGS AT ALL BUT NOBODY WAS
17 ENFORCING THE RULES. THEN, ALL OF A SUDDEN, THEY STARTED
18 ENFORCING THE RULES AND THAT HAS COMPLETELY STOPPED THE
19 WEDDINGS. PEOPLE ARE VERY OPINIONATED ON THE SUBJECT. THEY
20 THINK OF CASES LIKE ERIC MENENDEZ AND SCOTT PETERSON. I HAVE
21 ONE WOMAN RIGHT NOW THAT'S BEEN TRYING FOR FOUR MONTHS, SHE'S
22 BEEN REDUCED TO TEARS. SHE HAD BEEN MARRIED TO THIS MAN FOR
23 OVER 14 YEARS. FOR WHATEVER REASON, SHE DIVORCED HIM, THEY
24 WANT TO GET REMARRIED AGAIN BUT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS
25 NOT ALLOWING IT. UNDER THE CONSTITUTION, THE FIRST AMENDMENT



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1 TO THE CONSTITUTION GIVES US FREEDOM OF RELIGION. UNDER THE
2 STATE PENAL CODE, INMATES ARE TO RETAIN THEIR RIGHTS. UNDER
3 SPOUSAL IMMUNITY RULES UNDER THE FAMILY CODE AND THE EVIDENCE
4 CODE, THIS IS NOT A PROBLEM. SECURITY IS NOT A PROBLEM. HE
5 NEVER LEAVES HIS HOUSING UNIT. IF HE GETS A COURT ORDER AND
6 HAS GONE OUT THE COURT, THEN IT BECOMES-- SECURITY BECOMES A
7 PROBLEM. IT'S NOT A PROBLEM THE WAY WE'RE ASKING FOR IT TO BE
8 DONE.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. LET ME JUST SAY THE SHERIFF IS
11 DULY ELECTED BUT WE WILL CONVEY TO HIM YOUR TESTIMONY TODAY
12 AND SEE IF THEY CAN RECTIFY YOUR DILEMMA.

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14 **MINISTER JOSEPH VANDERHOFF:** I WOULD APPRECIATE IT BUT ALSO,
15 EVEN IF HE'S DULY ELECTED, YOU HAVE CONTROL OVER HIS PURSE
16 STRINGS, OVER HIS BUDGET, AND THERE ARE PEOPLE OUT THERE WHO
17 ARE DOING WEDDINGS OVER THE TELEPHONE. I REFUSE TO DO IT, IT'S
18 ILLEGAL AND I WON'T DO IT. BUT IT'S BEING DONE AND I NOTIFIED
19 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT THAT IT'S BEING DONE AND THAT THIS
20 FELONY IS BEING COMMITTED RIGHT UNDER THEIR FOOT AND COMMANDER
21 CONTE SAID, "CALL THE F.B.I. OR SOMEBODY." I'M TRYING TO DO IT
22 THE RIGHT WAY, THE LEGAL WAY, AND THE WAY THAT'S GOOD-- WE'RE
23 GIVING THESE PEOPLE AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE A LIGHT AT THE END
24 OF THE TUNNEL. WE'VE TURNED A LOT OF THEIR LIVES AROUND. AND,
25 BY THE WAY, WE'VE SAVED THE TAXPAYERS TENS OF MILLIONS OF



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1 DOLLARS IN THIS PROCESS AND I COULD-- JUST GIVE ME ANOTHER 30
2 SECONDS, I COULD SHOW YOU HOW. UNDER THE OLD WAY, THE BRIDE
3 AND GROOM WOULD HAVE TO GET A COURT ORDER. MOST OF THEM ARE
4 DESTITUTE. WHO DO THEY GO TO? THEY GO TO THE PUBLIC DEFENDER.
5 TAXPAYERS ARE PAYING FOR IT. THE D.A.'S OFFICE OPPOSES IT.
6 TAXPAYERS ARE PAYING FOR THAT. IT GOES BEFORE THE BENCH.
7 TAXPAYERS ARE PAYING FOR IT. UNLESS THERE'S A COMPELLING
8 REASON WHY THE JUDGE TO SAY "NO", THEY ALWAYS SAY "YES." THEN
9 SECURITY GOES RIGHT OUT THE WINDOW BECAUSE NOW THE INMATE HAS
10 TO BE TAKEN TO THE COURTHOUSE AND GUESS WHO THEY CALL IN TO DO
11 THE WEDDING? ME. WE HAVE SAVED THE TAXPAYERS HUNDREDS IF NOT
12 TENS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS AND WHAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
13 IS DOING IS WRONG AND THEY'RE EXPOSING THE COUNTY OF LOS
14 ANGELES TO A POTENTIAL LAWSUIT THAT COULD INVOLVE CLASS ACTION
15 IN THE THOUSANDS.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE WILL CONVEY THAT TO THE
18 SHERIFF.

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20 **MINISTER JOSEPH VANDERHOFF:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL GO INTO EXECUTIVE
23 SESSION.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
2 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
3 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-1, CONFERENCE
4 WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR DAVID E. JANSSEN AND DESIGNATED STAFF AS
5 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.

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